## ON SINGULAR LOCALIZATION OF g-MODULES.

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ABSTRACT. We prove a singular version of Beilinson-Bernstein localization for a complex semi-simple Lie algebra following ideas from the positive characteristic case done by [BMR06]. We apply this theory to translation functors, singular blocks in the Bernstein-Gelfand-Gelfand category O and Whittaker modules.

#### 1. Introduction

1.1. Let  $\mathfrak{g}$  be a semi-simple complex Lie algebra with enveloping algebra U and center  $Z \subset U$ . Let  $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{g}$  a Cartan subalgebra and  $\mathcal{B}$  be the flag manifold of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Let  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  be regular and dominant and  $I_{\lambda} \subset Z$  be the corresponding maximal ideal determined by the Harish Chandra homomorphism. Put  $U^{\lambda} := U/(I_{\lambda})$ . Let  $\mathcal{D}^{\lambda}_{\mathcal{B}}$  be the sheaf of  $\lambda$ -twisted differential operators on  $\mathcal{B}$ . The celebrated localization theorem of Beilinson and Bernstein, [BB81], states that the global section functor gives an equivalence  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}^{\lambda}_{\mathcal{B}}) \cong \operatorname{Mod}(U^{\lambda})$ . For applications and more information, see [HTT08].

A localization theory for singular  $\lambda$  was much later found in positive characteristic by Bezrukavnikov, Mirković and Rumymin, [BMR06]. Let us sketch their basic construction (which makes sense in all characteristics):

Let G be a semi-simple algebraic group such that  $Lie G = \mathfrak{g}$ . Instead of  $\mathcal{B}$  consider a parabolic flag manifold  $\mathcal{P} = G/P$ , where  $P \subseteq G$  is a parabolic subgroup whose parabolic roots coincide with the singular roots of  $\lambda$ . Replace the sheaf  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}}^{\lambda}$  by a sheaf  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda} := \pi_*(\mathcal{D}_{G/R})^L$  modulo a certain ideal defined by  $\lambda$ . Here L is the Levi factor and R is the unipotent radical of P and  $\pi : G/R \to \mathcal{P}$  is the projection. The L-invariants are taken with respect to the right L-action on G/R. The sheaf  $\pi_*(\mathcal{D}_{G/R})^L$  is locally isomorphic to  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}} \otimes \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l})$ , where  $\mathfrak{l} = Lie L$ . When P = B we have  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda} = \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}}^{\lambda}$  and when P = G we arrive at a tautological solution:  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda} = \mathrm{U}^{\lambda} \otimes$  "sheaf of differential operators on a point"  $= \mathrm{U}^{\lambda}$ .

We use this construction to prove a singular localization theorem in characteristic zero, Theorem 5.1. This is probably well known to the experts but it isn't in the literature. Our proof is similar to the original proof of [BB81], though parabolicity leads to some new complications. For instance, [BB81] introduced the method of tensoring a  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}}$ -module with a trivial bundle and then to filter this bundle with G-equivariant line bundles as subquotients. In the parabolic setting the subquotients will necessarily be vector bundles - which are harder to control - since irreducible representations of P are generally not one-dimensional.

In Theorem 4.1 we show that global section  $\Gamma(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda})$  equals  $U^{\lambda}$  by passing to the associated graded level, i.e. to the level of a parabolic Springer resolution. That this works we deduce from the usual Springer resolution, Lemma 3.2.

Our localization theorem gives an equivalence at the level of abelian categories just like [BB81] does. This is different from positive characteristic where the localization theorem only holds at the level of derived categories.

1.2. Our principal motivation comes from quantum groups. We do not wish to get into details here, but let us at least mention that we will need a singular localization theory for quantum groups in order to establish quantum analogs of fundamental constructions from [BMR08, BMR06, BM10] that relate modular representation theory to (commutative) algebraic geometry. By our previous work, [BK08], we know that the derived representation categories of quantum groups at roots of unity are equivalent to derived categories of coherent sheaves on Springer fibers in  $T^*\mathcal{B}$ .

To extend this to the level of abelian categories we must transport the tautological t-structure on the representation theoretical derived category to a t-structure on the coherent sheaf side. It so happens that to describe this so called exotic t-structure (see also [Bez06]) a family of singular localizations is needed (even for a regular block).

We showed in [BK06] that a localization theory for quantum groups can be neatly formulated in terms of equivariant sheaves. The "space" G/B doesn't admit a quantization. However, one can quantize function algebras  $\mathcal{O}(G)$  and  $\mathcal{O}(B)$  and thus the category of B-equivariant (=  $\mathcal{O}(B)$ -coequivariant)  $\mathcal{O}(G)$ -modules. This is just the category of quasicoherent sheaves on G/B. Therefore, to prepare for the quantum case we have taken thorough care to write down our results in an equivariant categorical language and at the same time to explain what is going on geometrically while this is still possible.

1.3. The theory of singular localization of  $\mathfrak{g}$ -modules clarifies many aspects of representation theory and will have many applications in its own right. Here we discuss a few of them.

It is a basic principle in representation theory that understanding of representations at singular central characters enhances the understanding also at regular central characters. This is illustrated by our  $\mathcal{D}$ -module interpretation of translation functors (Section 6). Using regular localization only, such a theory was developed by Beilinson and Ginzburg, [BG99]. Singular localization simplifies their picture for the plain reason that wall-crossing functors between regular blocks factors through a singular block. We shall also need these results in our work on quantum groups.

The localization theorem implies that a (perhaps singular) block  $O_{\lambda}$  in category O corresponds to certain bi-equivariant  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules on G (Section 7). From this we directly retrieve Bernstein and Gelfand's, [BerGel81], classic result that  $O_{\lambda}$  is equivalent to a category of Harish-Chandra bimodules, Corollary 7.4.

Singular localization also leads to the useful observation that one should study Harish-Chandra  $\mathfrak{g}$ -I-bimodules, where  $\mathfrak{l}$  is the Levi factor of  $\mathfrak{p}=Lie\,P$ , rather than  $\mathfrak{g}$ - $\mathfrak{g}$ -bimodules (as well as the only proof we know that such bimodules are equivalent to  $O_{\lambda}$ .) For instance, Theorem 8.1 gives this way a very short proof for Miličić and Soergel's equivalence between  $O_{\lambda}$  and a block in the category of Whittaker modules, [MS97], and Corollary 8.6 gives one for its parabolic generalization due to Webster, [W09]. These Whittaker categories have encountered recent interest because they are equivalent to modules over finite W-algebras, e.g. [W09]. It is probably well worth the effort to further investigate the relationship between singular localization and finite W-algebras; in particular so in the affine case.

We also retrieve and generalize some other known equivalences between representation categories, e.g. [Soe86].

1.4. An interesting task will be to develop a theory for "holonomic"  $\mathcal{D}^{\lambda}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -modules. Those which are "smooth along the Bruhat stratification of  $\mathcal{P}$ " and have "regular singularities" will correspond to  $\mathcal{O}_{\lambda}$ . One should then establish a "Riemann-Hilbert correspondence" between holonomic  $\mathcal{D}^{\lambda}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -modules with regular singularities and a suitable category of constructible sheaves on  $\mathcal{P}$ . Ideally the latter category would be accessible to the machinery of Hodge theory. This would further strengthen the interplay between representation theory and algebraic topology. Because of the simple local description of  $\mathcal{D}^{\lambda}_{\mathcal{P}}$  we believe that all this can be done and is a good starting point for generalizing  $\mathcal{D}$ -module theory. We shall return to this topic later on.

Another topic we would like to approach via singular localization is the singular-parabolic Koszul duality for O of [BGS96].

#### 2. Preliminaries

Here we fix notations and collect mostly well known results that we shall need.

2.1. **Notations.** We work over  $\mathbb{C}$ . Unless stated otherwise,  $\otimes = \otimes_{\mathbb{C}}$ . Let X be an algebraic variety,  $\mathcal{O}_X$  the sheaf of regular functions on X and  $\mathcal{O}(X)$  its global sections.  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_X)$  denotes the category of quasi-coherent sheaves on X and  $\Gamma := \Gamma_X : \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_X) \to \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}(X))$  is the global section functor. If Y is another variety  $\pi_X^Y$  will denote the obvious projection  $X \to Y$  if there is a such.

For  $\mathcal{A}$  a sheaf of algebras on X such that  $\mathcal{O}_X \subseteq \mathcal{A}$  (e.g., an algebra if X = pt) we abbreviate an  $\mathcal{A}$ -module for a sheaf of  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules that is quasi-coherent over  $\mathcal{O}_X$ . We denote by  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{A})$  the category of  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules. More generally, we will encounter categories such as  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{A}, additional\ data)$  that consists of  $\mathcal{A}$ -modules with some  $additional\ data$ . We will then denote by  $\operatorname{mod}(\mathcal{A}, additional\ data)$  its full subcategory of noetherian objects.

Throughout this paper G will denote a semi-simple complex linear algebraic group. We have assumed semi-simplictly to simplify notations; all our results can be straightforwardly extended to the case that G is reductive. We remark on this fact in those proofs that reduce to (reductive) Levi subgroups of G.

2.2. Root data. Let  $B \subset G$  be a Borel subgroup of our semi-simple group G and let  $T \subset B$  be a maximal tori. Let  $\mathfrak{h} \subset \mathfrak{b} \subset \mathfrak{g}$  be their respective Lie algebras. For any parabolic subgroup P of G containing B, denote by  $R = R_P$  its unipotent radical and by  $L := L_P$  its Levi subgroup and by  $\mathfrak{r} := \mathfrak{r}_P$  and  $\mathfrak{l} := \mathfrak{l}_P$  their Lie algebras. We denote by  $\mathcal{B} := G/B$  the flag manifold and by  $\mathcal{P} := G/P$  the parabolic flag manifold corresponding to P.

Let  $\Lambda$  be the lattice of integral weights and let  $\Lambda_r$  be the root lattice. Let  $\Lambda_+$  and  $\Lambda_{r+}$  be the positive weights and the positive linear combinations of the simple roots, respectively.

Let  $\mathcal{W}$  be the Weyl group of  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Let  $\Delta$  be the simple roots and let  $\Delta_P := \{\alpha \in \Delta : \mathfrak{g}^{-\alpha} \subset P\}$  be the subset of P-parabolic roots. Let  $\mathcal{W}_P$  be the subgroup of  $\mathcal{W}$  generated by simple reflections  $s_{\alpha}$ , for  $\alpha \in \Delta_P$ . Note that  $\mathfrak{h}$  is a Cartan subalgebra of the reductive Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{l}_P$ . Denote by  $S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}_P}$  the  $\mathcal{W}_P$ -invariants in  $S(\mathfrak{h})$  with respect to the  $\bullet$ -action (here  $w \bullet \lambda := w(\lambda + \rho) - \rho$ , for  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ ,  $w \in \mathcal{W}$ ,  $\rho$  is the half sum of the positive roots ).

Let  $Z(\mathfrak{l})$  be the center of  $U(\mathfrak{l})$  and put  $Z := Z(\mathfrak{g})$ . We have the Harish-Chandra homomorphism  $S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}_P} \cong Z(\mathfrak{l})$  (thus  $S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}} \cong Z$ ).

Put  $\Delta_{\lambda} := \{ \alpha \in \Delta; \lambda(H_{\alpha}) = -1 \}$ ,  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ , where  $H_{\alpha} \in \mathfrak{h}$  is the coroot corresponding to  $\alpha$ . Let  $\chi_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda} : \mathbb{Z}(\mathfrak{l}) \to \mathbb{C}$  be the character such that  $I_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda} := \operatorname{Ker} \chi_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda}$  annihilates the Verma module  $M_{\lambda}$  (for U(I)) with highest weight  $\lambda$ . Thus,  $\chi_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda} = \chi_{\mathfrak{l},\mu} \iff \mu \in \mathcal{W}_P \bullet \lambda$ . We have  $\lambda = \chi_{\mathfrak{h},\lambda}$  and we write  $\chi_{\lambda} := \chi_{\mathfrak{g},\lambda}$  and  $I_{\lambda} := \operatorname{Ker} \chi_{\lambda}$ .

Let  $U := U(\mathfrak{g})$  be the enveloping algebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$  and  $\widetilde{U} := U \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} S(\mathfrak{h})$  the extended enveloping algebra; thus  $\widetilde{U}$  has a natural  $\mathcal{W}$ -action such that the invariant ring  $\widetilde{U}^{\mathcal{W}}$  is canonically isomorphic to U. Let  $U^{\lambda} := U/(I_{\lambda})$ . We say that

- $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  is P-dominant if  $\lambda(H_{\alpha}) \notin \{-2, -3, -4, \ldots\}$ , for  $\alpha \in \Delta_P$ ;  $\lambda$  is dominant if it is G-dominant.
- $\lambda$  is P-regular if  $\Delta_{\lambda} \subseteq \Delta_{P}$ .  $\lambda$  is regular if it is B-regular, that is if  $w \bullet \lambda = \lambda \implies w = e$ , for  $w \in \mathcal{W}$ .
- $\lambda$  is a P-character<sup>1</sup> if it extends to a character of P; thus  $\lambda$  is a P-character iff  $\lambda$  is integral and  $\lambda|_{\Delta_P} = 0$ .

Suppose now that  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  is integral and P-dominant. Then there is an irreducible finite dimensional P-representation  $V_P(\lambda)$  with highest weight  $\lambda$ . Note that  $V_L(\lambda) := V_P(\lambda)$  is an irreducible representation for L. Of course, dim  $V_P(\lambda) = 1 \iff \lambda$  is a P-character.

The following is well-known:

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ . Then  $\lambda$  is dominant iff for all  $\mu \in \Lambda_{r+} \setminus \{0\}$  we have  $\chi_{\lambda+\mu} \neq \chi_{\lambda}$ . We also have

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  be P-regular and dominant. Let  $\mu$  be a P-character and let V be the finite dimensional irreducible representation of  $\mathfrak{g}$  with extremal weight  $\mu$ . Then for any weight  $\psi$  of V,  $\psi \neq \mu$ , we have  $\chi_{\lambda+\mu} \neq \chi_{\lambda+\psi}$ .

Proof. This is well known for P=B. We reduce to that case as follows: Let  $\mathfrak{g}'$  be the semi-simple Lie subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}$  generated by  $X_{\pm\alpha}$ ,  $\alpha\in\Delta\setminus\Delta_P$ . Let  $\mathfrak{h}':=\mathfrak{g}'\cap\mathfrak{h}$  be the Cartan subalgebra of  $\mathfrak{g}'$ . The inclusion  $\mathfrak{h}'\hookrightarrow\mathfrak{h}$  gives the projection  $p:\mathfrak{h}^*\to\mathfrak{h}'^*$ . Consider the restriction  $V|_{\mathfrak{g}'}$  of V to  $\mathfrak{g}'$  and let V' denote the irreducible  $\mathfrak{g}'$ -module with highest weight  $p(\mu)$ ; V' is a direct summand in  $V|_{\mathfrak{g}'}$ . Let  $\Lambda(V)$  denote the set of weights of V. Then  $p(\Lambda(V))=\Lambda'(V|_{\mathfrak{g}'})$ , the weights of  $V|_{\mathfrak{g}'}$ . By the assumption that  $\mu$  is a P-character, it follows that  $p(\Lambda(V))$  is contained in the convex hull  $\overline{\Lambda'(V')}$  of  $\Lambda'(V')$ . Since  $p(\lambda)$  is regular and dominant it is well known that  $p(\lambda+\mu)\notin\mathcal{W}'(p(\lambda)+\Lambda(V'))$ . But then it follows that  $p(\lambda+\mu)\notin\mathcal{W}'(p(\lambda)+\overline{\Lambda(V')})$ . Now  $\mathcal{W}'=p(\mathcal{W})$ , so it follows that  $\lambda+\mu\notin\mathcal{W}(\lambda+\Lambda(V))$ .  $\square$ 

## 2.3. Equivariant O-modules and induction. See [Jan83] for details on this material.

Let K be a linear algebraic group and J a closed algebraic subgroup. For X an algebraic variety equipped with a right (or left) action of K we denote by  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_X, K)$  the category of K-equivariant sheaves of (quasi-coherent)  $\mathcal{O}_X$ -modules. For  $M \in \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_X, K)$  there is the sheaf  $(\pi_{X*}^{X/K}M)^K$  on X/K of K-invariant local sections in the direct image  $\pi_{X*}^{X/K}M$ . If the K-action is free and the quotient is nice we have the equivalence

$$\pi_{X*}^{X/K}(\ )^K:\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_X,K)\to\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_{X/K}):\pi_X^{X/K*}.$$

We denote by  $\Gamma_{(K,J)}$  the global section functor on  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_K,J)$  that corresponds to  $\Gamma_{K/J}$  under the equivalence  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_K,J) \cong \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_{K/J})$ . Then  $\Gamma_{(K,J)}(M) = M^J$ , for  $M \in \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_K,J)$ 

Let Rep(K) denote the category of algebraic representations of K. We have  $\mathcal{O}(K) \in Rep(K)$ , via  $(gf)(x) := f(g^{-1}x)$ , for  $g, x \in K$  and  $f \in \mathcal{O}(K)$ . We shall also consider the left J-action on  $\mathcal{O}(K)$  given by (kf)(x) := f(xk), for  $k \in J$ ,  $k \in K$  and  $k \in \mathcal{O}(K)$ . These actions commute.

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$ [BMR06] use the terminology P-weight for what we call a P-character.

For  $V \in Rep(J)$  we consider the diagonal left J-action on  $\widetilde{V} := \mathcal{O}(K) \otimes V$ . The left K-action on  $\mathcal{O}(K)$  defines a left K-action on  $\widetilde{V}$  that commutes with the J-action and the multiplication map  $\mathcal{O}(K) \otimes \widetilde{V} \to \widetilde{V}$  is K- and J-linear. Thus  $\widetilde{V}$  belongs to the category  $\operatorname{Mod}(K, \mathcal{O}(K), J)$  of K-J bi-equivaraint  $\mathcal{O}(K)$ -modules. This gives the functor

$$p^*: Rep(J) \to Mod(K, \mathcal{O}(K), J), \ V \mapsto \widetilde{V}$$

(induced bundle of a representation, p symbolizes projection from K to pt/J).

Let  $Ind_J^K V := \widetilde{V}^J \in Rep(K)$ .

We have the factorization  $Ind_J^K = ()^J \circ p^*$ . One can show that  $R()^J \circ p^* \cong RInd_J^K$  where  $R()^J$  and  $RInd_J^K$  are computed in suitable derived categories. An important formula is the tensor identity

$$(2.1) RInd_J^K(V \otimes W) \cong RInd_J^K(V) \otimes W, \text{ for } V \in Rep(J), W \in Rep(K).$$

(In particular  $RInd_J^K(W) \cong W \otimes RInd_J^K(\mathbb{C})$ , for  $W \in Rep(K)$  and  $\mathbb{C}$  the trivial representations.)

## 3. Parabolic Springer Resolutions

In order to treat sheaves of extended differential operators on parabolic flag varieties in the next section we will here gather information about their associated graded objects. This is encoded in the geometry of the parabolic Grothendieck-Springer resolution.

3.1. Parabolic Flag Varieties. The parabolic flag variety  $\mathcal{P}$  has a natural left G-action. There is a bijection between representations of P and G-equivariant vector bundles on  $\mathcal{P}$ ; a representation V of P correspond to the induced bundle  $G \times_P V$  on  $\mathcal{P}$ . We denote by  $\mathcal{O}(V) := \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}(V)$  the corresponding locally free sheaf on  $\mathcal{P}$  which hence has a left G-equivariant structure.

Let  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  be a P-character and write  $\mathcal{O}(\lambda) := \mathcal{O}(V_P(\lambda))$  for the line-bundle corresponding to the one-dimensional P-representation  $V_P(\lambda)$ . We have  $Pic(\mathcal{P}) = Pic_G(\mathcal{P}) \cong$  group of P-characters, (but note that not all vector bundles on  $\mathcal{P}$  are G-equivariant). The ample line bundles  $\mathcal{O}(-\mu)$  are given by P-characters  $\mu$  such that  $\mu(H_\alpha) > 0$  for all  $\alpha \in \Delta \setminus \Delta_P$ .

Next we define the parabolic Grothendieck resolution:

**Definition 3.1.** 
$$\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}}:=\{(P',x):P'\in\mathcal{P},x\in\mathfrak{g}^*,x|_{\mathfrak{r}_{P'}}=0\}$$

Note that  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}} = G \times_P (\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{r}_P)^*$ . Recall that  $L = L_P$  is the Levi factor of P,  $U = U_P$  its unipotent radical and  $\mathfrak{l} = \mathfrak{l}_P$ ,  $\mathfrak{r} = \mathfrak{r}_P$  their Lie algebras. We have a commutative square:

(3.1) 
$$\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}} \longrightarrow \mathfrak{l}^*/L = \mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{P}}$$

$$\downarrow \qquad \qquad \downarrow$$

$$\mathfrak{g}^* \longrightarrow \mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}$$

where the top map sends (P',x) to  $x|\mathfrak{l}_{P'}/L_{P'} \in \mathfrak{l}_{P'}^*/L_{P'} \cong \mathfrak{l}^*/L$ . Note that the isomorphism  $\mathfrak{l}_{P'}^*/L_{P'} \cong \mathfrak{l}^*/L$  is canonical.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup>We can call  $\mathfrak{l}^*/L$  the universal coadjoint quotient of the Levi Lie subalgebra.

This induces a map:

(3.2) 
$$\pi_{\mathcal{P}}: \widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}} \to \mathfrak{g}^* \times_{\mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}} \mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}_{P}.$$

Lemma 3.2.  $R\pi_{\mathcal{P}*}\mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}}}=\mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{g}^*\times_{\mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}}\mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{P}}}.$ 

*Proof.* We shall reduce to the well known case of the ordinary Grothendieck resolution for  $\mathcal{P} = \mathcal{B}$ . It states that

$$(3.3) R\pi_{\mathcal{B}*}\mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{B}}} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathfrak{g}^* \times_{\mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}} \mathfrak{h}^*}.$$

Translating this to the equivariant language it reads:

$$(3.4) RInd_B^G(S(\mathfrak{g/n})) = S(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{h})W} S(\mathfrak{h}).$$

where  $\mathfrak{n} := [\mathfrak{b}, \mathfrak{b}]$ . To see this, observe first that, since  $\mathfrak{g}^* \times_{\mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}} \mathfrak{h}^*$  is affine, the equality 3.3 is after taking global sections equivalent to the equality

$$R\Gamma(\mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{B}}}) = \mathcal{O}(\mathfrak{g}^* \times_{\mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}} \mathfrak{h}^*) = S(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}}} S(\mathfrak{h})$$

of G-modules. Moreover, since the bundle projection  $p: \widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{B}} \to \mathcal{B}$  with fiber  $(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{n})^*$  is affine,  $p_*$  is exact and hence  $R\Gamma(\mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{B}}}) = R\Gamma(p_*(\mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{B}}}))$ . Under the identification  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}) = \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_G, B)$  we have that  $p_*(\mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{B}}})$  corresponds to  $S(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{n}) \otimes \mathcal{O}(G)$  so its derived global sections are given by  $RInd_B^G(S(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{n}))$  as stated. This proves 3.4.

By a similar argument the statement of the lemma is equivalent to proving that

$$(3.5) RInd_P^G(S(\mathfrak{g/r})) = S(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}}} S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}_P}.$$

For any  $M \in Mod(B)$  we have an equality of P-modules

(3.6) 
$$RInd_B^P(M) = RInd_{L\cap B}^L(M).$$

where the R-module structure on the RHS is defined by  $(xf)(g) := g^{-1}xg \cdot f(g)$  for  $f \in Mor(L, M)^{L \cap B} \cong Ind_{L \cap B}^{L}(M)$ ,  $x \in U$ ,  $g \in L$ . Together with the given L-action this makes the RHS a P-module. In particular we have

(3.7) 
$$RInd_B^P(S(\mathfrak{g/n})) = RInd_{L\cap B}^L(S(\mathfrak{g/n})).$$

We have a decomposition  $\mathfrak{g} = \overline{\mathfrak{r}}_P \oplus \mathfrak{l} \oplus \mathfrak{r}$ , where  $\overline{\mathfrak{r}}_P$  is the image of  $\mathfrak{r}$  under the Chevalley involution of  $\mathfrak{g}$ ; thus  $\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{n} = \mathfrak{l}/(\mathfrak{l} \cap \mathfrak{n}) \oplus \overline{\mathfrak{r}}_P$ . Thus

$$(3.8) RInd_{L\cap B}^{L}(S(\mathfrak{g/n})) = RInd_{L\cap B}^{L}(S(\mathfrak{l/l}\cap\mathfrak{n})\otimes S(\overline{\mathfrak{r}}_{P})) =$$

$$RInd_{L\cap B}^{L}(S(\mathfrak{l}/\mathfrak{l}\cap\mathfrak{n}))\otimes S(\overline{\mathfrak{r}}_{P})=S(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{r})\otimes_{S(\mathfrak{h})W_{P}}S(\mathfrak{h})$$

where the last equality is given by 3.4 applied to G replaced by L and the second equality is the tensor identity which applies since  $S(\overline{\mathfrak{r}}_P)$  is an L-module. Since  $RInd_B^G = RInd_P^G \circ RInd_B^P$  we get from 3.4, 3.7 and 3.8 that

$$S(\mathfrak{g}) \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}}} S(\mathfrak{h}) = RInd_{P}^{G}(S(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{r}) \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}_{P}}} S(\mathfrak{h})) = RInd_{P}^{G}(S(\mathfrak{g}/\mathfrak{r})) \otimes_{S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}_{P}}} S(\mathfrak{h}).$$

Since  $S(\mathfrak{h})$  is faithfully flat over  $S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}_P}$  this implies 3.5.

Let  $P \subset Q$  be two parabolic subgroups. The projection  $\pi_{\mathcal{P}}^{\mathcal{Q}}: \mathcal{P} \to \mathcal{Q}$  induces a map  $\widetilde{\pi}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\mathcal{Q}}: \widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}} \to \widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{Q}}$  that fits into the following commutative square:

(3.9) 
$$\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}} \longrightarrow \mathfrak{l}^*/L = \mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{P}}$$

$$\downarrow_{\widetilde{\pi}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\mathcal{Q}}} \qquad \qquad \downarrow_{\mathcal{Q}}/L_{\mathcal{Q}} = \mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{Q}}$$

With similar arguments as in the proof of Lemma 3.2 one can prove

Lemma 3.3. 
$$R\widetilde{\pi}_{\mathcal{P}_*}^{\mathcal{Q}}\mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}}}=\mathcal{O}_{\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{Q}}\times_{\mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}_O}\mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}_P}.$$

We observe that  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}}$  is an L-torsor over  $T^*\mathcal{P}$ . We put

**Definition 3.4.** 
$$\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda} = \widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}} \times_{\mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{P}}} \lambda$$
, for  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ .

We would like to view  $\widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda}$  as the classical Hamiltonian of  $T^*(G/R)$  with respect to the (right) L-action. We have a moment map  $\mu: T^*(G/R) \to \mathfrak{l}^*$ . Recall that we can take the Hamiltonian reduction with respect to any subset of  $\mathfrak{l}^*$  stable under the coadjoint action. Let  $\mathcal{N}_{\lambda} \subset \mathfrak{l}^*$  be the preimage of  $\lambda/\mathcal{W}_P \in \mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}_P \cong \mathfrak{l}_P^*/L$  under the quotient map. Then

(3.10) 
$$T^*(G/R)//_{\mathcal{N}_{\lambda}}L = \mu^{-1}(\mathcal{N}_{\lambda})/L = \widetilde{\mathfrak{g}}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda}.$$

Note that we could also reduce with respect to  $\lambda \in (\mathfrak{l}^*)^L$  in which case we would get twisted cotangent bundles.

#### 4. Extended differential operators on $\mathcal{P}$

In this section we construct the sheaf of extended differential operators on a parabolic flag manifold and describe its global sections.

4.1. **Torsors.** Let X be an algebraic variety equipped with a free right action of a linear algebraic group K and let  $p: X \to X/K$  be the projection. We assume that X, locally in the Zariski topology, is of the form  $Y \times K$ , for some variety Y, and p is first projection. Such X is called an K-torsor. We get induced right K-actions on the sheaf  $\mathcal{D}_X$  of regular differential operators on X and on the direct image sheaf  $p_*(\mathcal{D}_X)$ . Denote by  $\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{X/K} := p_*(\mathcal{D}_X)^K$  the sheaf on X/K of K-invariant local sections of  $p_*(\mathcal{D}_X)$ .

Let  $\mathfrak{k} := Lie K$ . The infinitesimal K-action gives algebra homomorphisms  $\hat{\epsilon} : U(\mathfrak{k}) \to \mathcal{D}_X$  and  $\tilde{\epsilon} : U(\mathfrak{k}) \to p_* \mathcal{D}_X$ , which are injective since the K-action is free. It follows from the definition of differentiating a group action that  $[\tilde{\epsilon}(U(\mathfrak{k})), \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{X/K}] = 0$ .

Notice that  $\tilde{\epsilon}(U(\mathfrak{k})) \nsubseteq \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{X/K}$ , unless K is abelian, but  $\tilde{\epsilon}(Z(\mathfrak{k})) \subseteq \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{X/K}$ . We denote by  $\epsilon : Z(\mathfrak{k}) \to \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{X/K}$  the restriction of  $\tilde{\epsilon}$  to  $Z(\mathfrak{k})$ . By the discussion above it is a central embedding.

Now, using that p is locally trivial we can give a local description of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{X/K}$ . Let  $Y \times K$  be a Zariski open subset of X over which p is trivial. Then  $\mathcal{D}_X|_{Y \times K} = \mathcal{D}_Y \otimes \mathcal{D}_K$  and  $\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{X/K}|_Y = \mathcal{D}_Y \otimes \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{k})$ , where  $\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{k})$  is identified with the algebra of right K-invariant differential operators  $\mathcal{D}_K^K$  on K.

Note that  $\tilde{\epsilon}(U(\mathfrak{k}))|_{Y\times K}=1\otimes^K\mathcal{D}_K$  is the algebra of left K-invariant differential operators on  $Y\times K$ , with respect to the natural left K-action on  $Y\times K$ , that are constant along Y. Since  $Z(^K\mathcal{D}_K)=Z(\mathcal{D}_K^K)$  we get that  $\epsilon$  is locally given by the embedding

$$Z(\mathfrak{k}) \hookrightarrow U(\mathfrak{k}) \cong 1 \otimes U(\mathfrak{k}) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}_Y \otimes U(\mathfrak{k}).$$

This implies that  $\epsilon(Z(\mathfrak{k})) = Z(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{X/K}).$ 

Denote by  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_X, K)$  the category of weakly equivariant  $(\mathcal{D}_X, K)$ -modules. In order to simplify the description of this category we assume henceforth that X is quasi-affine. Its object M is then a left  $\mathcal{D}_X$ -module equipped with an algebraic right action  $\rho := \{\rho_U\}$ , where  $\rho_U : K \to \operatorname{Aut}_{\mathbb{C}_U}(M(U))^{\operatorname{op}}$  are homomorphism compatible with the restriction maps in M, for each Zariski-open K-invariant subset R of X. We require that  $\mathcal{D}_X \otimes M \to M$  is K-linear (over K-invariant open sets) with respect to the diagonal K-action on a tensor. (For a general X,  $\rho$  must be replaced by a given isomorphism  $pr^*M \cong act^*M$  satisfying a cocycle condition, where pr and  $act : X \times K \to X$  are projection and the action map, respectively.)

Denote by  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_X, K, \mathfrak{k})$  the category of strongly equivariant  $(\mathcal{D}_K, K)$ -modules. Its object  $(M, \rho)$  is a weakly equivariant  $(\mathcal{D}_X, K)$ -module such that  $d\rho(x)m = \hat{\epsilon}(x)m$  for  $x \in \mathfrak{k}$  and  $m \in M$ .

For  $M \in \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_X, K)$  we consider the sheaf  $(p_*M)^K$  of K-invariant local sections in  $p_*M$ ; it has a natural  $\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{X/K}$ -module structure. Thus we get a functor  $p_*$  whose right adjoint is  $p^*$  (the pullback in the category of  $\mathcal{O}$ -modules with its natural equivariant structure). The following is standard (see [BB93]):

## Lemma 4.1.

i) 
$$p_*(\ )^K : \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_X, K) \leftrightarrows \operatorname{Mod}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{X/K}) : p^* \text{ and}$$
  
ii)  $p_*(\ )^K : \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_X, K, \mathfrak{k}) \leftrightarrows \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{X/K}) : p^*$ 

are mutually inverse equivalences of categories.

4.2. **Definition of extended differential operators.** On G/R we shall always consider the right L-action  $(\overline{q}, h) \mapsto \overline{gh}$ , for  $g \in G$  and  $h \in L$ . Thus, G/R is an L-torsor. We put

**Definition 4.2.** 
$$\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}} := \pi_{G/R*}^{\mathcal{P}}(\mathcal{D}_{G/R})^L$$
.

By the results of the previous section we have that locally on  $\mathcal{P}$ ,  $\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}} \cong \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}} \otimes U(\mathfrak{l})$ , and we have the central algebra embedding  $\epsilon : Z(\mathfrak{l}) \to \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}$ .

For  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  we define:

**Definition 4.3.** 
$$\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda} := \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}} \otimes_{\epsilon(\mathrm{Z}(\mathfrak{f}))} \mathbb{C}_{\lambda}$$
.

4.3. **Equivariant description.** For any  $Z(\mathfrak{l})$ -algebra S and  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  let  $\operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(S)$  be the category of left S-modules which are locally annihilated by some power of  $I_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda}$ .

We shall give equivariant descriptions on G and on G/R of the category  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}})$  and its subcategories  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda})$  and  $\operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}})$ . It is best to work on G. We start with G/R as an intermediate step.

By Lemma 4.1 we have mutually inverse equivalences

(4.1) 
$$\pi_{G/R*}^{\mathcal{P}}()^{L} : \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{G/R}, L) \hookrightarrow \operatorname{Mod}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}) : \pi_{G/R}^{\mathcal{P}*}.$$

Differentiating the right L-action on G/R gives an algebra embedding  $\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l}) \hookrightarrow \mathcal{D}_{G/R}$ . This allows us to consider  $\mathrm{Z}(\mathfrak{l}) \subseteq \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l})$  as a subalgebra of  $\mathcal{D}_{G/R}$ . Transporting conditions from the right-hand side to the left-hand side of 4.1 we see that  $\mathrm{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda})$  is equivalent to the full subcategory  $\mathrm{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{G/R}, L, \lambda)$  of  $\mathrm{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{G/R}, L)$  whose object M satisfy  $I_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda} \cdot M^L = 0$ . Similarly,  $\mathrm{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}})$  is equivalent to the full subcategory  $\mathrm{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{G/R}, L, \widehat{\lambda})$  of  $\mathrm{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{G/R}, L)$  whose object M satisfies that  $I_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda}$  is locally nilpotent on  $M^L$ .

Now we pass to G. Let us introduce some notations:

We have a left and right actions  $\mu_l$  and  $\mu_r$  of G on  $\mathcal{O}(G)$  defined by  $\mu_l(g)f(h) := f(g^{-1}h)$  and  $\mu_r(g)f(h) := f(hg^{-1})$ , for  $f \in \mathcal{O}(G), g, h \in G$ , respectively. Differentiating  $\mu_l$ , resp.,  $\mu_r$ , gives an injective algebra homomorphism  $\epsilon_l : U \to \mathcal{D}_G$ , resp., an anti-homomorphism  $\epsilon_r : U \to \mathcal{D}_G$ . We have that  $\epsilon_l(U) = \mathcal{D}_G^G$  consists of right invariant differential operators on G and  $\epsilon_r(U) = {}^G\mathcal{D}_G$  consists of left invariant differential operators on G,  $Z = \epsilon_l(U) \cap \epsilon_r(U)$  and  $\epsilon_l|_{Z} = \epsilon_r|_{Z}$ .

The actions  $\mu_l$  and  $\mu_r$  induce left and right actions of G on  $\mathcal{D}_G$  that we denote by the same symbols.

Let  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r})$  be the category whose object M satisfies

- (1) M is a left  $\mathcal{D}_G$ -module.
- (2) M has a right algebraic P-action  $\rho$  such that  $\mathcal{D}_G \otimes M \to M$  is P-linear, with respect to the right P-action  $\mu_r|_P$  on  $\mathcal{D}_G$  and the diagonal P-action on a tensor.
- (3)  $d\rho|_{\mathfrak{r}} = \epsilon_r|_{\mathfrak{r}}$  on M.

In particular, by (3) the action  $\epsilon_r|_{\mathfrak{r}}$  is integrable, i.e. this  $\mathfrak{r}$ -action is locally nilpotent. By 4.1 and Lemma 4.1 ii) (applied to X=G and K=R) we have an equivalence

(4.2) 
$$\pi_{G*}^{\mathcal{P}}()^{P} : \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{G}, P, \mathfrak{r}) \leftrightarrows \operatorname{Mod}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}) : \pi_{G}^{\mathcal{P}*}.$$

Note that the functor on the left hand side (that corresponds to) the global section functor is the functor of taking P-invariants.

Let  $\widetilde{M}_P := U/U \cdot \mathfrak{r}$  be a sort of "P-universal" Verma module for U and equip it with the P-action that is induced from the right adjoint action of P on U. Note that the object  $\mathcal{O}_G \otimes \epsilon_r(\widetilde{M}_P) \in \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r})$  represents global sections and therefore corresponds to  $\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}} \in \operatorname{Mod}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}})$ .

Our next task is to describe the (full) subcategory  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \lambda)$  of  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r})$  that corresponds to the subcategory  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\lambda})$  of  $\operatorname{Mod}(\tilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{D}})$ , for  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ .

Let us consider the smash product  $\mathcal{D}_G * \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l})$  of  $\mathcal{D}_G$  and  $\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l})$  with respect to the adjoint action of  $\mathfrak{l}$  on  $\mathfrak{g}$ . Thus,  $\mathcal{D}_G * \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l}) = \mathrm{U} \otimes \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l})$  as a  $\mathbb{C}$ -module and its (associative) multiplication is defined by

$$y \otimes x \cdot y' \otimes x' := y[\epsilon_r(x), y'] \otimes x' + yy' \otimes xx', \ x \in \mathfrak{l}, x' \in U(\mathfrak{l}), y, y' \in \mathcal{D}_G.$$

We observe that a  $(\mathcal{D}_G, L)$ -module is the same thing as a  $\mathcal{D}_G * \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l})$ -module on which the action of  $1 \otimes \mathfrak{l}$  is integrable (the action of  $1 \otimes \mathfrak{l}$  is the differential of the given L-action). We have an algebra isomorphism

$$\mathcal{D}_G \otimes \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l}) \to \mathcal{D}_G * \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l}), \ y \otimes 1 \mapsto y \otimes 1, \ 1 \otimes x \mapsto 1 \otimes x - \epsilon_r(x) \otimes 1, \ y \in \mathcal{D}_G, x \in \mathfrak{l},$$

which restricts to an algebra homomorphism

$$(4.3) \widetilde{\alpha}_{\mathfrak{l}}: \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l}) \to \mathcal{D}_{G} * \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l}), \ 1 \otimes x \mapsto 1 \otimes x - \epsilon_{r}(x) \otimes 1, \ x \in \mathfrak{l}.$$

Consider the canonical algebra anti-isomorphism  $can : U(\mathfrak{l}) \to U(\mathfrak{l}), x \mapsto -x$ , for  $x \in \mathfrak{l}$ , and put  $\widetilde{\alpha}'_{\mathfrak{l}} := \widetilde{\alpha}_{\mathfrak{l}} \circ can$ . We see that  $\widetilde{\alpha}'_{\mathfrak{l}}$  restricts to an algebra isomorphism

(4.4) 
$$\alpha_{\mathfrak{l}}: Z(\mathfrak{l}) \to Z(\mathcal{D}_G * U(\mathfrak{l})), z \mapsto \widetilde{\alpha}_{\mathfrak{l}}(z).$$

(Thus, if  $z \in \mathbb{Z}(\mathfrak{l})$  has degree k, i.e. is a sum of elements of the form  $x_1 x_2 \cdots x_k$ ,  $x_i \in \mathfrak{l}$ , then  $\alpha_{\mathfrak{l}}(z) = (-1)^k \widetilde{\alpha}_{\mathfrak{l}}(z)$ .)

**Proposition 4.4.** i) Let  $V \in \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}$  and  $z \in \mathrm{Z}(\mathfrak{l})$ . Since  $\epsilon_{l}(z) \in \mathrm{Z}(\mathfrak{l}) = \mathrm{Z}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}})$  it defines a morphism  $\epsilon_{l}(z) : M \to M$ . By functoriality we get a morphism  $\pi_{G}^{\mathcal{P}*}(\epsilon_{l}(z)) : \pi_{G}^{\mathcal{P}*}(M) \to \pi_{G}^{\mathcal{P}*}(M)$ . We have  $\pi_{G}^{\mathcal{P}*}(\epsilon_{l}(z)) = \alpha_{\mathfrak{l}}(z)|_{\pi_{G}^{\mathcal{P}*}(M)}$ .

*ii*) Let  $M \in \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r})$ . Then  $M \in \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \lambda) \iff$ 

(4) 
$$(\alpha_{\mathfrak{l}}(z) - \chi_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda}(z))m = 0, m \in M, z \in \mathcal{Z}(\mathfrak{l}).$$

*Proof.* We have  $\pi_G^{\mathcal{P}*}(M) = \mathcal{O}_G \otimes_{\pi_G^{\mathcal{P}^{-1}}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}})} \pi_G^{\mathcal{P}^{-1}}(M)$ . Let  $f \in \mathcal{O}_G$  and  $m \in \pi_G^{\mathcal{P}^{-1}}(M)$ . Then for  $x \in \mathfrak{l}$  we have  $d\rho(x)m = 0$  and consequently

$$\widetilde{\alpha}_{\mathfrak{l}_n}(x)(f\otimes m)=(\epsilon_r(x)-d\rho(x))(f\otimes m)=f\otimes \epsilon_r(x)m.$$

Since  $\widetilde{\alpha}_{\mathfrak{l}}$  is an algebra homomorphism we get for  $z \in \mathbf{Z}(\mathfrak{l})$  that

$$\alpha_{\mathfrak{l}}(z)(f\otimes m)=\widetilde{\alpha}(z)(f\otimes m)=f\otimes \epsilon_{r}(z)m=\pi_{G}^{\mathcal{P}*}(\epsilon_{l}(z))(f\otimes m).$$

This proves i). ii) follows from i).

Let  $M_{P,\lambda} := U/U \cdot (\mathfrak{r} + \operatorname{Ker} \chi_{I,\lambda})$  be a left U-module equipped with the right P-action that is induced from the adjoint action of P on U. Note that the object  $\mathcal{O}_G \otimes \epsilon_r(M_{P,\lambda})$  of  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \lambda)$  represents global sections (= taking P-invariants) and therefore corresponds to  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\lambda} \in \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\lambda})$ .

Similarly, there is the category  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \widehat{\lambda})$  that corresponds to  $\operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}})$  under the equivalence 4.2, for  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ . It follows from Proposition 4.4 i) that an object M of this category satisfies (1) - (3) above and in addition

 $\widehat{(4)}$   $\alpha_{\mathfrak{l}}(z) - \chi_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda}(z)$  is locally nilpotent on M, for  $z \in \mathcal{Z}(\mathfrak{l})$ .

Remark 4.5. Note that when  $\mathfrak{l} = \mathfrak{h}$  condition (4) becomes the traditional condition of [BB93]:  $\epsilon_r(x)m - d\rho(x)m = \chi_{\lambda}(x)m$ , for  $x \in \mathfrak{h}$ ,  $m \in M$ .

Remark 4.6. Assume that  $M \in \text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r})$ . Then condition (4) holds for  $M \iff$  (4')  $(\epsilon_r(z) - \chi_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda}(z))m = 0$ , for  $m \in M^L, z \in \mathcal{Z}(\mathfrak{l})$ .

(Because (4') is obviously equivalent to  $(\pi_{G*}^{\mathcal{P}}M)^L \in \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda})$ .)

If we consider  $M^L$  as a sheaf on G/L it global sections equal  $\Gamma_G(M)^L$ , where  $\Gamma_G(M)$  is the  $\mathcal{O}(G)$ -module corresponding to the  $\mathcal{O}_G$ -module M. Since L is reductive G/L is affine, [Mat60], and therefore we may replace  $M^L$  by  $\Gamma_G(M)^L$  in (4').

However, condition (4) is better to work with then (4'), particularly while considering modules with an additional equivariance condition from the left side, see Section 7.

**Example 4.7.** Let us consider the simplest case when P = G. Then  $\mathfrak{r} = 0$  and we write  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, G, \lambda) := \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, G, \mathfrak{r}_G, \lambda)$  for simplicity.

The equivalence  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathbb{C}) \cong \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{O}_G, G), V \mapsto \mathcal{O}_G \otimes V$ , induces for any  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  the equivalence  $\operatorname{Mod}(U^{\lambda}) \cong \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, G, \lambda)$  given by

$$V \mapsto \mathcal{O}_G \otimes V$$

where  $(\mathcal{O}_G \otimes V)^G = V$  is a left module for  $\epsilon_l(\mathbf{U})^{\lambda}$ . Similarly with  $\chi_{\lambda}$  replaced by  $\widehat{\chi_{\lambda}}$ .

**Example 4.8.** Let P = B. Let  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  and let  $M_{\lambda}$  be the Verma module for  $\epsilon_r(U)$  with highest weight  $\lambda$ . Let  $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  be integral. Consider the algebraic B-action  $\rho$  on  $M_{\lambda}$  which after differentiation satisfies

$$d\rho(x)m = (x - \lambda(x) + \mu(x))m, m \in M_{\lambda}, x \in \mathfrak{b}.$$

Denote by  $M_{\lambda,\mu}$  the Verma module  $M_{\lambda}$  equipped with this B-action. Then we have that

$$\mathcal{O}_G \otimes M_{\lambda,\mu} \in \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, B, \mathfrak{n}, \lambda - \mu).$$

For  $\mu = 0$  we have mentioned that the functor  $\operatorname{Hom}_{\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, B, \mathfrak{n}, \lambda)}(\mathcal{O}_G \otimes M_{\lambda, 0}, )$  is naturally equivalent to the global section functor on  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, B, \mathfrak{n}, \lambda)$ , so that  $\mathcal{O}_G \otimes M_{\lambda, 0} \cong \pi_{\mathcal{B}}^{G*} \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}}^{\lambda}$ . This implies

(4.5) 
$$\operatorname{End}_{\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, B, \mathfrak{n}, \lambda)}(\mathcal{O}_G \otimes M_{\lambda}) = \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}}^{\lambda}) = U^{\lambda}.$$

To get an idea of a general  $\mathcal{O}_G \otimes M_{\lambda,\mu}$  assume for instance that  $\mu \geq 0$ . Then there is an injective map

$$(4.6) f: \mathcal{O}_G \otimes M_{\lambda,\mu} \to \mathcal{O}_G \otimes M_{\lambda-\mu,0}.$$

By the Peter-Weyl theorem  $\mathcal{O}_G \cong \bigoplus_{\phi \in \Lambda_+} V_G^*(\phi) \otimes V_G(\phi)$  as a G-bimodule. Let  $v_\phi \in V_G(\phi)$  be a highest weight vector. Let  $1_\lambda$  and  $1_{\lambda-\mu}$  be highest weight vectors in  $M_{\lambda,\mu}$  and  $M_{\lambda-\mu,0}$ , respectively. We can define f by  $f(1 \otimes 1_\lambda) := (v \otimes v_\mu) \otimes 1_{\lambda-\mu}$  where  $v \in V_G^*(\mu)$  is any non-zero vector. f is injective since both sides of 4.6 are free over the integral domain  $\mathcal{O}_G \otimes \epsilon_r(\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{n}_-))$ . Note that f is not an isomorphism (and the two objects of 4.6 must be non-isomorphic) unless  $\mu = 0$ .

4.4. **Global sections.** The left G-action on G/R,  $(g, \overline{g'}) \mapsto \overline{gg'}$ , commutes with the right L-action and therefore induces a homomorphism  $U \to \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}$ . There is also the map  $\epsilon : S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}_{\mathcal{P}}} = Z(\mathfrak{l}) \to \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}$ . These maps agree on  $S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}}$  and hence induces a map

$$\widetilde{U}^{W_P} = U \otimes_{\mathbb{Z}} S(\mathfrak{h})^{W_P} \to \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}.$$

This induces a homomorphism  $U^{\lambda} = \widetilde{U}^{\mathcal{W}_{P}}/(I_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda}) \to \mathcal{D}^{\lambda}_{\mathcal{P}}$ .

Consider the sheaf of algebras  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}} \otimes U$  on  $\mathcal{P}$  with multiplication determined by those in  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$  and in U and by the requirement that  $[A, f] = \epsilon(A)(f)$  for  $A \in \mathfrak{g}$  and  $f \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$ . Then we have a surjective algebra homomorphism  $\eta : \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}} \otimes U \to \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}$ . Its kernel is the ideal generated by  $\xi \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}} \otimes \mathfrak{r}$ ,  $\xi(x) \in \mathfrak{p}_x$ , for  $x \in \mathcal{P}$  and  $\mathfrak{p}_x \subseteq \mathfrak{g}$  the corresponding parabolic subalgebra.

Hence, to define a  $\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -module structure on an  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -module M is the same thing as defining a U-module structure on M such that  $\operatorname{Ker} \eta$  vanishes on M and  $A(fm) = f(Am) + \epsilon(A)(f)m$ , for  $A \in \mathfrak{g}$ ,  $f \in \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$  and  $m \in M$ .

Let  $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  be integral and P-dominant. Recall that  $V_P(\mu)$  denotes the corresponding irreducible representation of P with highest weight  $\mu$  and  $\mathcal{O}(V_P(\mu))$  the corresponding left G-equivariant locally free sheaf on  $\mathcal{P}$ .

Let  $M \in \operatorname{Mod}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}})$ . We shall show that the  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -module  $M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}} \mathcal{O}(V_P(\mu))$  is naturally a  $\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -module. We proceed as follows:

The G-action on  $\mathcal{O}(V_P(\mu))$  differentiates to a left  $\mathfrak{g}$ -action on it, which extends to a  $\mathfrak{g}$ -action on  $M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}} \mathcal{O}(V_P(\mu))$  by Leibniz's rule. Since  $V_P(\mu)$  is an irreducible P-module we have that R acts trivially on it (recall  $V_P(\mu) = V_L(\mu)$ ). Hence,  $\mathfrak{r}$  acts trivially  $\mathcal{O}(V_P(\mu))$  and from this it now follows that the compatibilities for being a  $\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}$ -module are satisfied by  $M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}} \mathcal{O}(V_P(\mu))$ .

Assume that  $M \in \operatorname{Mod}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}})$ . In the equivariant language on G we see that M and  $M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}} \mathcal{O}(V_P(\mu))$  correspond to  $\pi_G^{\mathcal{P}*}M$  and  $M_{V_P(\mu)} := (\pi_G^{\mathcal{P}*}M) \otimes V_P(\mu) \in \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r})$ , respectively. Here, the  $\mathcal{D}_G$ -action on  $M_{V_P(\mu)}$  is given by the action on the first factor and the P-action is diagonal. Again, it is the fact that R acts trivially on  $V_P(\mu)$  that shows that  $M_{V_P(\mu)}$  is an object of  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, L, \mathfrak{r})$ .

**Lemma 4.9.** Let  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ ,  $M \in \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda})$  and  $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  be integral and P-dominant. Then  $M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}} \mathcal{O}(V_P(\mu)) \in \bigoplus_{\nu \in \Lambda(V_P(\mu))} \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda+\nu}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}})$ , where  $\Lambda(V_P(\mu))$  denotes the set of weights of  $V_P(\mu)$ .

Proof. In equivariant translation we want to prove that

$$(4.7) M_{V_P(\mu)} \in \bigoplus_{\nu \in \Lambda(V_P(\mu))} \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \widehat{\lambda + \nu}).$$

We use Proposition 4.4 i). We have an action  $\widetilde{\alpha}_{\mathfrak{l}}: \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l}) \to \mathrm{End}(M_{V_P(\mu)})$ . We see that this action is actually the tensor product of the  $\widetilde{\alpha}_{\mathfrak{l}}$ -action of  $\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l})$  on  $\pi_G^{\mathcal{P}*}M$  and the  $\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l})$ -action on  $V_P(\mu)$ , which is the differential of the given L-action. Now, since for  $z \in \mathrm{Z}(\mathfrak{l})$ , we by assumption have that  $\alpha_{\mathfrak{l}}(z) = \widetilde{\alpha}_{\mathfrak{l}}(z)$  acts by  $\chi_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda}(z)$  on  $\pi_G^{\mathcal{P}*}M$  it follows from [BerGel81] that 4.7 holds.

Theorem 4.1.  $i) R\pi_{\mathcal{B}_*}^{\mathcal{P}} \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{B}} = \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}} \otimes_{\mathrm{Z}(\mathfrak{l})} S(\mathfrak{h}), ii) R\pi_{\mathcal{P}_*}^{\mathcal{Q}} \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}} = \widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{Q}} \otimes_{\mathrm{Z}(\mathfrak{l}_Q)} S(\mathfrak{h})^{\mathcal{W}_P}, iii) R\Gamma(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}) = \widetilde{\mathrm{U}}^{\mathcal{W}_P} \text{ and } iv) R\Gamma(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda}) = \mathrm{U}^{\lambda}.$ 

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.2 and Lemma 3.3 the associated graded maps i) and ii) are isomorphisms; hence i) and ii) are also isomorphisms. iii) is a special case of ii) and iv) follows from iii) because  $R\Gamma$  commutes with ()  $\otimes_{\mathbb{Z}(\mathfrak{l})} \mathbb{C}_{\lambda}$ , since  $\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}$  is locally free over  $\mathbb{Z}(\mathfrak{l})$ .

The functor  $\Gamma: \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda}) \to \operatorname{Mod}(U^{\lambda})$  has a left adjoint  $\mathcal{L} := \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda} \otimes_{U^{\lambda}} ()$ , called the localization functor. Also  $\Gamma: \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}) \to \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(U)$  has a left adjoint  $\mathcal{L} := \varprojlim_{n} \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}/(I_{\lambda})^{n} \otimes_{U}$  ().

#### 5. SINGULAR LOCALIZATION

Here we prove the singular version of Beilinson-Bernstein localization.

**Theorem 5.1.** Let  $\lambda$  be dominant and P-regular then  $\Gamma : \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda}) \to \operatorname{Mod}(U^{\lambda})$  is an equivalence of categories.

*Proof.* Essentially taken from [BB81]. Since  $\Gamma$  has a left adjoint  $\mathcal{L}$  which is right exact and since  $\Gamma \circ \mathcal{L}(U^{\lambda}) = \Gamma(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{D}}^{\lambda}) = U^{\lambda}$ , the theorem will follow from the following two claims:

- a) Let  $\lambda$  be dominant. Then  $\Gamma: \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda}) \to \operatorname{Mod}(U^{\lambda})$  is exact.
- b) Let  $\lambda$  be dominant and P-regular and  $M \in \text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{P}}^{\lambda})$ , then if  $\Gamma(M) = 0$  it follows that M = 0.

Let V be a finite dimensional irreducible G-module and let

$$0 = V_{-1} \subset V_0 \subset \ldots \subset V_n = V$$

be a filtration of V by P-submodules, such that  $V_i/V_{i-1} \cong V_P(\mu_i)$  is an irreducible P-module. Assume first that the highest weight  $\mu_0$  of V is a P-character. Thus  $M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{O}(V_0) = M(-\mu_0)$  and we get an embedding  $M(-\mu_0) \hookrightarrow M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{O}(V)$ , which twists to the embedding  $M \hookrightarrow M(\mu_0) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{O}(V) \cong M(\mu_0)^{\dim V}$ . Now, by Lemmas 2.1, 4.9 and Theorem 4.1 iii) we get that this inclusion splits on derived global sections, so  $R\Gamma(M)$  is a direct summand of  $R\Gamma(M(\mu_0))^{\dim V}$ . Now, for  $\mu_0$  big enough and if M is  $\mathcal{O}$ -coherent we have  $R^{>0}\Gamma(M(\mu_0)) = 0$  (since  $\mathcal{O}(\mu_0)$  is very ample). Hence,  $R^{>0}\Gamma(M) = 0$  in this case. A general M is the union of coherent submodules and by a standard limit-argument it follows that  $R^{>0}\Gamma(M) = 0$ . This proves a).

Now, for b) we assume instead that the lowest weight  $\mu_n$  of V is a P-character. Then we have a surjection  $M^{\dim V} \cong M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}} \mathcal{O}(V) \to M(-\mu_n)$ . Applying global sections and

using Lemmas 2.2, 4.9 and Theorem 4.1 iv) we get that  $\Gamma(M(-\mu_n))$  is a direct summand of  $\Gamma(M)^{\dim V}$ . For  $\mu_n$  small enough we get that  $\Gamma(M(-\mu_n)) \neq 0$ . Hence,  $\Gamma(M) \neq 0$ . This proves *b*).

Assume that  $\lambda$  is P-regular. Then the projection  $\mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}_P \to \mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}$  is unramified at  $\lambda$ and from this one deduces, see [BG99], that restriction defines an equivalence of categories  $\operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{U}^{\mathcal{W}_P}) \xrightarrow{\sim} \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(U).$ 

**Theorem 5.2.** Let  $\lambda$  be dominant and P-regular then  $\Gamma : \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}) \to \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{U}^{\mathcal{W}_{P}}) \cong$  $\operatorname{Mod}^{\lambda}(U)$  is an equivalence of categories.

*Proof.* This follows from Theorem 5.1 and a simple devissage.

## 6. Translation functors

We geometrically describe translations functors on g-modules in the context of singular localization. For regular localization this was worked out in [BG99]. Singular localization clarifies the picture. We get one-one correspondences between translation functors and geometric functors and all global section functors can be made to take values in Mod(U). Thus ramified coverings of the form  $\mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}_{\lambda} \to \mathfrak{h}^*/\mathcal{W}_{\mu}$  will not complicate the picture as they did in the framework of regular localization.

6.1. Translation functors. For any  $Z(\mathfrak{l})$ -algebra S let  $\operatorname{Mod}^{Z(\mathfrak{l})\text{-fin}}(S)$  be the category of Smodules that are locally finite over  $Z(\mathfrak{l})$ . Thus  $\operatorname{Mod}^{Z(\mathfrak{l})-\operatorname{fin}}(S) = \bigoplus_{\mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*} \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(S)$  and we have exact projections  $pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\mu}}: \operatorname{Mod}^{Z(\mathfrak{l})-\operatorname{fin}}(S) \to \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\mu}}(S)$ . We put  $pr_{\widehat{\mu}}:=pr_{\mathfrak{g},\widehat{\mu}}$ . Assume  $\lambda, \mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  satisfy  $\lambda - \mu$  is integral. Then there is the translation functor

$$T^{\mu}_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda}: \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l})) \to \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\mu}}(\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l})), \ M \mapsto pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\mu}}(M \otimes E)$$

where E is an irreducible finite dimensional representation of  $\mathfrak{l}$  with extremal weight  $\lambda - \mu$ . Again, put  $T^{\mu}_{\lambda} := T^{\mu}_{\mathfrak{g},\lambda}$ . See [BerGel81] for further information about translation functors.

We shall give a  $\mathcal{D}$ -module interpretation of these functors. We use the language of  $\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}$ modules; it is a simple task to pass to an equivariant description on G. Define for any parabolic subgroup  $P \subset G$  a geometric translation functor

$$\mathbb{T}^{\mu}_{P,\lambda}: \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}) \to \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\mu}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}), \ M \mapsto pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\mu}}(M \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}} \mathcal{O}(E))$$

for  $M \in \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}})$ , where E is an irreducible P-representation with highest weight in  $\mathcal{W}_P(\mu -$ 

Note that if  $\mu - \lambda$  is a P-character then  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}(E) = \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}(\mu - \lambda)$  and in this case  $\mathbb{T}^{\mu}_{\lambda} = \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}(\mu - \lambda)$ ( )  $\otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}} \mathcal{O}(\mu - \lambda)$  is an equivalence with inverse given by  $\mathbb{T}^{\lambda}_{\nu} = (\ ) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}} \mathcal{O}(\lambda - \mu)$ . In particular, for P = B we have  $\mathbb{T}^{\mu}_{\lambda} = (\ ) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{B}}} \mathcal{O}(\mu - \lambda)$  for any  $\mu$  and  $\lambda$ . Let  $Q \subset G$  be another parabolic subgroup with  $P \subset Q$ . We have

# Lemma 6.1. The diagram

$$\operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}) \xrightarrow{\mathbb{T}_{P,\lambda}^{\mu}} \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\mu}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}})$$

$$\downarrow^{\pi_{\mathcal{P}*}^{\mathcal{Q}}} \qquad \downarrow^{\pi_{\mathcal{P}*}^{\mathcal{Q}}}$$

$$\operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{Q}}) \xrightarrow{\mathbb{T}_{Q,\lambda}^{\mu}} \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\mu}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{Q}})$$

of exact functors commutes up to natural equivalence.

In the case of P = B and Q = G this was proved in [BG99].

*Proof.* Let V (resp., V') be an irreducible finite dimensional representation for Q (resp., for P) whose highest weight belongs to  $\mathcal{W}_Q(\mu - \lambda)$  (resp.,  $\mathcal{W}_P(\mu - \lambda)$ ). Let  $M \in \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}})$ . Then, since V is a Q-representation, we have  $\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}(V) = \pi_{\mathcal{P}}^{\mathcal{Q}*}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{Q}}(V))$  and therefore it follows from the projection formula that

$$\pi_{\mathcal{P}_*}^{\mathcal{Q}}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}(V) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}} M) = \mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{Q}}(V) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{Q}}} \pi_{\mathcal{P}_*}^{\mathcal{Q}}(M).$$

Thus we get

$$\mathbb{T}^{\mu}_{Q,\lambda} \circ \pi^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathcal{P}*}(M) = pr_{\mathfrak{l}_{Q},\widehat{\mu}}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{Q}}(V) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{Q}}} \pi^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathcal{P}*}(M)) = 
pr_{\mathfrak{l}_{Q},\widehat{\mu}}(\pi^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathcal{P}*}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}(V) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}} M)) = \pi^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathcal{P}*}(pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\mu}}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}(V) \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}} M)) \stackrel{(*)}{=} 
\pi^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathcal{P}*}(pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\mu}}(\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}(V') \otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}} M)) = \pi^{\mathcal{Q}}_{\mathcal{P}*} \circ \mathbb{T}^{\mu}_{P,\lambda}(M).$$

The equality (\*) follows from Lemma 2.2 applied to the reductive Lie algebra  $\mathfrak{l}_Q$  and its parabolic subalgebra  $\mathfrak{l}_Q \cap \mathfrak{p}$  (compare with the proof of the localization theorem).

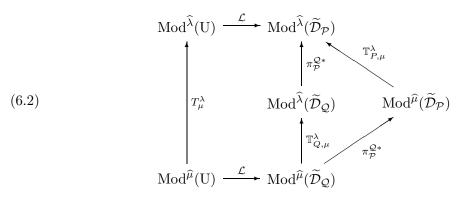
Let us geometrically describe translation to the wall: In this case  $\Delta_{\lambda} \subsetneq \Delta_{\mu}$ . We assume that  $\lambda$  and  $\mu$  are dominant. We choose the parabolic subgroups  $P \subset Q \subset G$  such that the parabolic roots of P equal  $\Delta_{\lambda}$  and the parabolic roots of Q equal  $\Delta_{\mu}$ . By Theorem 5.2 and Lemma 6.1 it follows that the diagram below commutes up to natural equivalence:

$$(6.1) \qquad \begin{array}{c} \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\mathrm{U}) \xrightarrow{(1) \Gamma} \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}) \\ & \downarrow^{(3) \pi_{\mathcal{P}_{*}}^{\mathcal{Q}}} & (2) \mathbb{T}_{P,\lambda}^{\mu} \\ & \downarrow^{(4) T_{\lambda}^{\mu}} & \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{Q}}) & \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\mu}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{P}}) \\ & \downarrow^{(5) \mathbb{T}_{\mathcal{Q},\lambda}^{\mu}} & (7) \pi_{\mathcal{P}_{*}}^{\mathcal{Q}} \\ & \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\mu}}(\mathrm{U}) \xrightarrow{(6) \Gamma} \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\mu}}(\widetilde{\mathcal{D}}_{\mathcal{Q}}) \end{array}$$

Note that (1) and (6) are equivalences by the choices of P and Q and that (2) = () $\otimes_{\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{P}}}\mathcal{O}(\mu-\lambda)$  is an equivalence, since  $\mu - \lambda$  is a P-character.

We see that (3) is an equivalence of categories because both the source and the target categories are D-affine, since  $\lambda$  is P- and Q-regular, and  $\Gamma \circ \pi_{\mathcal{P}_*}^{\mathcal{Q}} = \Gamma$ . On the other hand, the functor (7) is not faithful, because  $\mu$  is not P-regular. (5) is also not faithful. We remind that all functors involved are exact.

Let us now describe translation out of the wall: This is done by taking the diagram of adjoint functors in the diagram 6.1, so we keep assuming that  $\lambda$ ,  $\mu$ , P and Q are as in 6.1. The left and right adjoint of  $T^{\mu}_{\lambda}$  is  $T^{\lambda}_{\mu}$ , the translation out of the wall. The equivalences (1), (2), (3) and (6) of course have left and right adjoints that coincide. Also, the left and right adjoint of (5) coincide; it is given by  $\mathbb{T}^{\lambda}_{Q,\mu}$ . Finally (7) has the left adjoint  $\pi^{\mathcal{Q}*}_{\mathcal{P}}$ ; thus,  $\pi^{\mathcal{Q}*}_{\mathcal{P}}$  must also be the right adjoint of (7). Summing up we have:



## 7. CATEGORY O AND HARISH-CHANDRA (BI-)MODULES.

Singular localization allows as to interpret blocks of category O as bi-equivariant  $\mathcal{D}_{G}$ -modules which in turn are equivalent to categories of Harish-Chandra (bi-)modules. As we mentioned in the introduction, the novelty here is that we are lead to consider  $\mathfrak{g}$ -f-bimodules, which we believe is a better notion. *Parabolic* (and singular) blocks of O are discussed in Section 8.2.

The material here is related to Section 6 because translation functors restrict to functors between blocks in O.

7.1. Category O and generalized twisted Harish-Chandra modules. See [Hum08] for generalities on category O and [Dix77] for generalities on Harish-Chandra modules.

We are interested in the Bernstein-Gelfand-Gefand category O of finitely generated left U-modules which are locally finite over  $U(\mathfrak{n})$  and semi-simple over  $\mathfrak{h}$ . For  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  we let  $O_{\lambda}, O_{\widehat{\lambda}} \subset O$  be the subcategories of modules with central character, respectively, generalized central character,  $\chi_{\lambda}$ .

Generalized twisted Harish-Chandra modules. Let  $K \subset G$  be a subgroup and let  $\mathfrak{k} := Lie K$  be its Lie algebra. A weak Harish-Chandra  $(K, \mathbb{U})$ -module (or simply a  $(K, \mathbb{U})$ -module) is a left U-module M equipped with an algebraic left action of K such that the action map  $\mathbb{U} \otimes M \to M$  is K-equivariant with respect to the adjoint action of K on  $\mathbb{U}$ . A Harish-Chandra  $(K, \mathbb{U})$ -module (or simply a  $(\mathfrak{k}, K, \mathbb{U})$ -module) is a weak Harish-Chandra module such that the differential of the K-action coincides with the action of  $\mathfrak{k} \subset \mathbb{U}$ .

Similarly, there are  $(K, U^{\lambda})$ -modules and  $(\mathfrak{t}, K, U^{\lambda})$ -modules, for  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ .

Let  $\mu \in K^*$ . A  $\mu$ -twisted Harish-Chandra module is a (K, U)-module M on which the action of  $\mathfrak{k} \subset U$  minus the differential of the K-action is equal to  $\mu$ .

We shall now give certain generalizations of twisted Harish-Chandra modules in the case when K = P. Consider the smash-product algebra  $U * U(\mathfrak{l})$  with respect to the adjoint action of  $\mathfrak{l}$  on U. Observe that an (L, U)-module is the same thing as a  $U * U(\mathfrak{l})$ -module on which  $1 \otimes \mathfrak{l}$  acts semi-simply and  $1 \otimes H_{\alpha}$  has integral eigenvalues for each simple coroot  $H_{\alpha}$ . The

algebra anti-homomorphism  $U(\mathfrak{l}) \to U * U(\mathfrak{l})$ , defined by  $x \mapsto x \otimes 1 - 1 \otimes x$ , for  $x \in \mathfrak{l}$ , restricts to a homomorphism

(7.1) 
$$\overline{\alpha}_{\mathfrak{l}}: \mathbf{Z}(\mathfrak{l}) \to \mathbf{Z}(U(\mathfrak{g}) * \mathbf{U}(\mathfrak{l})).$$

(Compare with the map  $\alpha_{\mathfrak{l}}$  in 4.4.) We define  $\operatorname{Mod}(\widehat{\lambda},\mathfrak{r},P,\operatorname{U}^{\lambda'})$  to be the category of  $(P,\operatorname{U}^{\lambda'})$ -modules M such that, if  $\rho$  denotes the P-action on M, then  $d\rho|_{\mathfrak{r}}$  coincides with the action of  $\mathfrak{r}\subset\operatorname{U}^{\lambda'}$  on M and for  $z\in\operatorname{Z}(\mathfrak{l})$  we have that  $\overline{\alpha}_{\mathfrak{l}}(z)-\chi_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda}(z)$  acts locally nilpotently on M.

Similarly, one defines categories  $\operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}'}(\widehat{\lambda}, \mathfrak{r}, P, U)$  and  $\operatorname{Mod}(\lambda, \mathfrak{r}, P, U^{\lambda'})$ , etc.

We see that if  $\lambda, \lambda' \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ ,  $\lambda - \lambda'$  is integral then

$$\mathcal{O}_{\lambda} = \operatorname{mod}(\lambda', \mathfrak{n}, B, \mathcal{U}^{\lambda}) \text{ and } \mathcal{O}_{\widehat{\lambda}} = \operatorname{mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\lambda', \mathfrak{n}, B, \mathcal{U})$$

are (non-generalized) categories of twisted Harish-Chandra modules. For  $P \neq B$  we like to think of  $\operatorname{mod}(\widehat{\lambda},\mathfrak{r},P,\operatorname{U}^{\lambda'})$  and  $\operatorname{mod}(\lambda,\mathfrak{r},P,\operatorname{U}^{\lambda'})$  as "non-standard parabolic blocks in O" although, in reality, they are not even subcategories of O, since the  $\mathfrak{b}$ -action is not locally finite.

7.2. Harish-Chandra modules to bimodules. The categories of the previous section can be described in terms of Harish-Chandra bimodules, [BerGel81]. Let  $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathfrak{l})$  be the category of U-U( $\mathfrak{l}$ )-bimodules on which the adjoint action of  $\mathfrak{l}$  is integrable and the left action of  $\mathfrak{r}$  is locally nilpotent. Write  $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}:=\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathfrak{g})$  and replacing  $\mathfrak{g}$  by  $\mathfrak{l}$  we write  $\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathfrak{l},\mathfrak{l})$  for the category of U( $\mathfrak{l}$ )-bimodules on which the adjoint  $\mathfrak{l}$ -action is integrable.

Let  $\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l}) \subset \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathfrak{l})$  be the subcategory of noetherian objects. Note that for  $M \in \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathfrak{l})$  we have  $M \in \mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l}) \iff M$  is f.g. as a U-U( $\mathfrak{l}$ )-bimodule  $\iff M$  is f.g. as a left U-module (and in case  $\mathfrak{l} = \mathfrak{g}$  this holds if and only if M is f.g. as a right U-module). Put

$$Z_{\text{-fin}}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l}) := \{ M \in \mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l}); Z \text{ acts locally finitely on } M \text{ from the left} \},$$

 $\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{\mathbf{Z}(\mathfrak{l})\text{-fin}} := \{ M \in \mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l}); \ \mathbf{Z}(\mathfrak{l}) \text{ acts locally finitely on } M \text{ from the right} \}$ 

and  $Z_{-fin}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{Z(\mathfrak{l})-fin}:=Z_{-fin}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})\cap\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{Z(\mathfrak{l})-fin}.$  Observe that

$$(7.2) Z_{-fin}\mathcal{H} = \mathcal{H}_{Z-fin} = Z_{-fin}\mathcal{H}_{Z-fin}.$$

We set  $_{\lambda'}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l}):=\{M\in\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l});\ I_{\lambda'}M=0\},\ \mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{\lambda}:=\{M\in\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l});\ MI_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda}=0\}\ \text{and}\ _{\widehat{\mu}}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l}):=\{M\in\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l});\ I_{\lambda'}\ \text{acts locally nilpotently on}\ M\},\ \text{etc.}$  Similarly, we define  $_{\lambda'}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{\widehat{\lambda}}:=_{\lambda'}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})\cap\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{\widehat{\lambda}},\ \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathfrak{l})_{\lambda},\ \text{etc.}$ 

**Lemma 7.1.** 
$$\operatorname{Mod}(\lambda, \mathfrak{r}, P, U^{\lambda'}) \cong {}_{\lambda'}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{\lambda}$$
. and  $\operatorname{Mod}(\widehat{\lambda}, \mathfrak{r}, P, U^{\lambda'}) \cong {}_{\lambda'}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{\widehat{\lambda}}$ .

*Proof.* A  $(P, U^{\lambda'})$ -module is the same thing as a  $U^{\lambda'} * U(\mathfrak{p})$ -module such that  $1 \otimes \mathfrak{p}$  acts integrably. Under the algebra isomorphism

$$U^{\lambda'} * U(\mathfrak{p}) \xrightarrow{\sim} U^{\lambda'} \otimes U(\mathfrak{p}), \ 1 \otimes x \mapsto 1 \otimes x + x \otimes 1, y \otimes 1 \mapsto y \otimes 1$$

the latter modules are equivalent to the category of  $U^{\lambda'} \otimes U(\mathfrak{p})$ -modules on which the action of  $\Delta \mathfrak{p}$  is integrable, where  $\Delta : \mathfrak{p} \to U^{\lambda'} \otimes U(\mathfrak{p})$  is given by  $\Delta x := x \otimes 1 + 1 \otimes x$ .

The  $\Delta \mathfrak{p}$ -integrability is equivalent to  $\Delta \mathfrak{l}$ -integrability and that  $\Delta \mathfrak{r}$  acts locally nilpotently. Thus  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathfrak{r}, P, \operatorname{U}^{\lambda'})$  is equivalent to the category of  $\operatorname{U}^{\lambda'} \otimes \operatorname{U}(\mathfrak{l})$ -modules such that the action of  $\Delta \mathfrak{l}$  is integrable and  $\mathfrak{r} \subset \operatorname{U}^{\lambda'}$  acts nilpotently. Thus, using the principal anti-isomorphism of  $\mathfrak{l}$  to identify  $\operatorname{U}^{\lambda'} \otimes \operatorname{U}(\mathfrak{l})$ -modules with  $\operatorname{U}^{\lambda'} - \operatorname{U}(\mathfrak{l})$ -bimodules, we get  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathfrak{r}, P, \operatorname{U}^{\lambda'}) \cong {}_{\lambda'} \mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})$ . From this one deduces the lemma.

7.3. **Bi-equivariant**  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules and category O. We want to describe blocks in category O in terms of bi-equivariant  $\mathcal{D}_G$ -modules. Let  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ . Throughout this section we assume that  $\lambda' \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  is a regular dominant weight such that  $\lambda - \lambda'$  is integral.

Denote by

$$\operatorname{Mod}(\lambda', \mathfrak{n}, B, \mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \widehat{\lambda})$$

the full subcategory<sup>3</sup> of  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \widehat{\lambda})$  whose object M satisfies  $(1) - (3), (\widehat{4})$  from Section 4.2 and is in addition equipped with a left B-action  $\tau: B \to \operatorname{Aut}(M)$  that commutes with  $\rho: P \to \operatorname{Aut}(M)^{op}$  and satisfies

(5) 
$$d\tau(x)m = (\epsilon_l(x) - \lambda'(x))m$$
, for  $m \in M$ ,  $x \in \mathfrak{b}$ .

**Lemma 7.2.** Assume that  $\lambda$  is P-regular. Then  $\operatorname{mod}(\lambda', \mathfrak{n}, B, \mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \widehat{\lambda}) \cong O_{\widehat{\lambda}}$ .

*Proof.* We remind that, since  $\lambda$  is P-regular, restriction defines an equivalence of categories  $res: \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\widetilde{U}^{W_P}) \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(U)$ . Now  $(\widehat{4})$ , the two lines preceding it and Theorem 5.2 gives the equivalence

$$\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \widehat{\lambda}) \cong \operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(U), \ V \mapsto res(V^P).$$

From this we deduce that the full subcategory  $O_{\widehat{\lambda}} = \operatorname{mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\lambda', \mathfrak{n}, B, U)$  of  $\operatorname{Mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(U)$  is equivalent to  $\operatorname{mod}(\lambda', \mathfrak{n}, B, \mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \widehat{\lambda})$ .

Using the inversion on G, left B-action and right P-action become right B-action and left P-action, so  $\text{mod}(\lambda', \mathfrak{n}, B, \mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \widehat{\lambda})$  is equivalent to a full subcategory of  $\text{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, B, \mathfrak{n}, \lambda')$  that we denote by

(7.3) 
$$\operatorname{mod}(\widehat{\lambda}, \mathfrak{r}, P, \mathcal{D}_G, B, \mathfrak{n}, \lambda')$$

whose definition is obvious. Since  $\lambda'$  is dominant and regular we get from Beilinson-Bernstein localization that  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, B, \mathfrak{n}, \lambda') \cong \operatorname{Mod}(U^{\lambda'})$ . This induces an equivalence<sup>4</sup> between 7.3 and  $\operatorname{mod}(\widehat{\lambda}, \mathfrak{r}, P, U^{\lambda'})$ .

Similarly, if we don't pass to global sections on  $\mathcal{B}$ , we have that 7.3 is equivalent to the category  $\operatorname{mod}(\widehat{\lambda}, \mathfrak{r}, P, \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}}^{\lambda'})$ , whose definition is also obvious.

Summarizing we get

**Proposition 7.3.**  $O_{\widehat{\lambda}} \cong \operatorname{mod}(\widehat{\lambda}, \mathfrak{r}, P, U^{\lambda'}) \cong \operatorname{mod}(\widehat{\lambda}, \mathfrak{r}, P, \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}}^{\lambda'})$ , for  $\lambda$  dominant and P-regular.

Thus, by Lemma 7.1

Corollary 7.4.  $O_{\widehat{\lambda}} \cong {}_{\lambda'}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{\widehat{\lambda}}$ .

Similarly, one shows that  $O_{\lambda} \cong \operatorname{mod}(\lambda, \mathfrak{r}, P, U^{\lambda'}) \cong \operatorname{mod}(\lambda, \mathfrak{r}, P, \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}}^{\lambda'}) \cong {}_{\lambda'}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{\lambda}$ .

**Example 7.5.** Let P = B and  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  be regular and dominant. Then  $O_{\widehat{\lambda}} \cong \operatorname{mod}(\widehat{\lambda}, \mathfrak{n}, B, U^{\lambda'})$ , which is the category of left  $U^{\lambda'}$ -modules which are locally finite over  $\mathfrak{b}$  (so the  $\mathfrak{h}$ -action need not be semi-simple). This equivalence was first established in [Soe86].

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup>Strictly speaking,  $\operatorname{Mod}(\lambda', \mathfrak{n}, B, \mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \widehat{\lambda})$  is obtained from  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, P, \mathfrak{r}, \widehat{\lambda})$  by adding a *B*-action, but since this *B*-action is determined by its differential it identifies with a subcategory of it.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup>This is not the parabolic-singular Koszul duality of [BGS96]

**Example 7.6.** Let P = G and  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  be any weight. Since  $\mathfrak{r}_G = 0$  we write for simplicity  $\operatorname{Mod}(\widehat{\lambda}, G, \operatorname{U}^{\lambda'}) := \operatorname{Mod}(\widehat{\lambda}, \mathfrak{r}_G, G, \operatorname{U}^{\lambda'})$ . Put  $O_{\widehat{\lambda+\Lambda}} := \bigoplus_{\mu \in \Lambda} O_{\widehat{\lambda+\mu}}$ . Then we have

$$O_{\widehat{\lambda}} \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} \operatorname{mod}(\widehat{\lambda}, G, U^{\lambda'}) \text{ and } O_{\widehat{\lambda+\Lambda}} \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} \operatorname{mod}(G, U^{\lambda'}),$$

both given by  $V \mapsto (\mathcal{O}_G \otimes V)^B$ . Thus  $O_{\widehat{\lambda}} \cong {}_{\lambda'}\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{\lambda}}$ . Again, this goes back to [Soe86].

Remark 7.7.  $\operatorname{mod}(\widehat{\lambda}, \mathfrak{r}, P, \mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}}^{\lambda'})$  will not consist of holonomic  $\mathcal{D}$ -modules, unless P = B. For instance, if  $\lambda = -\rho$ , P = G and  $\lambda' = 0$ , then  $O_{\widehat{-\rho}}$  will consist of direct sums of copies of the simple Verma module  $M_{-\rho}$ . Corresponding to  $M_{-\rho}$  is a non-holonomic submodule of the  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}}$ -module  $\mathcal{D}_{\mathcal{B}}$  (see 4.6).

#### 8. Whittaker modules

Let  $f: \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{n}) \to \mathbb{C}$  be an algebra homomorphism,  $\Delta_f := \{\alpha \in \Delta; f(X_\alpha) \neq 0\}$  and  $J_f := \mathrm{Ker}\, f$ . Let  $\widetilde{\mathcal{N}}_f := \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}(\mathfrak{g})_f$  be the category of left U-modules on which  $J_f$  acts locally nilpotently and let  $\mathcal{N}_f$  be its subcategory of modules which are f.g. over U. Objects of  $\mathcal{N}_f$  are called Whittaker modules. Replacing  $\mathfrak{g}$  by  $\mathfrak{l}$  and f by  $f|_{\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{n}\cap\mathfrak{l})}$  we get the category  $\mathcal{N}_f(\mathfrak{l})$ . For regular f, i.e. when  $\Delta_f = \Delta$ , it was studied by Kostant, [K78]; he showed that  $\mathcal{N}_f$  has the exceptionally simple description

(8.1) 
$$\operatorname{Mod}(Z) \xrightarrow{\sim} \mathcal{N}_f, M \mapsto M \otimes_Z U / U \cdot J_f.$$

In the other extreme, when f = 0,  $\mathcal{N}_f$  is O with the  $\mathfrak{h}$ -semi-simplicity condition dropped and it has the same simple objects as O.

Our main result here is a new proof of Theorem 8.1 of [MS97]. It enables one to compute the characters of standard Whittaker modules by means of the Kazhdan-Lusztig conjectures. (For non-integral weights theywere computed in [B97].)

Throughout this section we assume  $\lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  and  $\Delta_P = \Delta_f = \Delta_\lambda$ .

8.1. Equivalence between a block of  $\mathcal{N}_f$  and of singular O. Fix a character  $f: \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{n}) \to \mathbb{C}$ . For  $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  we put

$$_{\mu}\mathcal{N}_{f}:=\{M\in\mathcal{N}_{f};I_{\mu}M=0\},\ _{\widehat{\mu}}\mathcal{N}_{f}:=\{M\in\mathcal{N}_{f};\ I_{\mu}\ \text{acts locally nilpotently on }M\}.$$

(Categories  $\mu \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}_f$  and  $\widehat{\mu} \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}_f$  are similarly defined.) Our aim is to prove

**Theorem 8.1.** Assume that  $\lambda, \lambda' \in \Lambda$  satisfies  $\Delta_f = \Delta_{\lambda}$  and that  $\lambda'$  is regular dominant. Then  $O_{\widehat{\lambda}} \cong {}_{\lambda'} \mathcal{N}_f$ .

Before proving this we establish some preliminary results.

**Lemma 8.2.** i) For each  $\mu, \lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ ,  $\mu$  dominant, such that  $W_{\mu} \subseteq W_{\lambda}$ ,  ${}_{\mu}\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{\lambda}}$  identifies with a finite length subcategory of  $\mathcal{O}_{\widehat{\lambda}}$  which is non-zero iff  $\lambda - \mu$  is integral (analogous statements hold with  $\mu$  and/or  $\lambda$  replaced by  $\widehat{\mu}$  and/or  $\widehat{\lambda}$ ).

- ii)  $_{\mu}\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{-\rho}}\cong \mathrm{mod}(\mathbb{C})$  and  $_{\mu}\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\widehat{-\rho}}\cong \mathrm{Mod}(\mathbb{C})$ , for  $\mu$  integral.
- iii)  $\mathcal{H}_{Z-fin}$  is a finite length category.

*Proof.* That  $_{\mu}\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{\lambda}}=0$  if  $\mu-\lambda$  is not integral is a consequence of the fact that any G-module is a sum of G-modules with integral central characters.

On the other hand, let  $\mu - \lambda$  be integral and E be an irreducible G-module with extremal weight  $\mu - \lambda$ . For  $M \in \mathcal{H}_{\lambda}$  we have  $E \otimes M \in \mathcal{H}_{\lambda}$ , with respect to the diagonal left U-action

and the right U-action on the second factor. Thus,  $T^{\mu}_{\lambda}M = pr_{\widehat{\mu}}(E \otimes M) \in {}_{\widehat{\mu}}\mathcal{H}_{\lambda}$ . (Similarly, with  $\lambda$  replaced by  $\widehat{\lambda}$ .)

Now  $U^{\lambda} \in {}_{\lambda}\mathcal{H}_{\lambda}$  with its natural bimodule structure. Since  $\mathcal{W}_{\mu} \subseteq \mathcal{W}_{\lambda}$  it is known that  $T^{\mu}_{\lambda}$  is faithful. Hence we get  $0 \neq T^{\mu}_{\lambda}(U^{\lambda}) \in {}_{\widehat{\mu}}\mathcal{H}_{\lambda}$ . Thus, also  ${}_{\mu}\mathcal{H}_{\lambda}$  and  ${}_{\mu}\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{\lambda}}$  are non-zero. We have

$${}_{\mu}\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{\lambda}} \cong \operatorname{mod}(\lambda,G,\mathcal{U}^{\mu}) \xrightarrow{\ \mathcal{L} \ } \operatorname{mod}(\lambda,G,\mathcal{D}_{G},B,\mu) \cong$$

$$\operatorname{mod}(\mu, B, \mathcal{D}_G, G, \widehat{\lambda}) \cong \operatorname{mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\mu, B, U) = O_{\widehat{\lambda}}.$$

Since  $\mu$  is dominant we have  $\Gamma \circ \mathcal{L} = Id$ . Since  $O_{\widehat{\lambda}}$  is a finite length category this implies  ${}_{\mu}\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{\lambda}}$  is dito as well. This proves **i**). Moreover, the fact that  $\mathcal{O}_{\widehat{-\rho}} \cong \operatorname{mod}(\mathbb{C})$  now implies  ${}_{\mu}\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{-\rho}} \cong \operatorname{mod}(\mathbb{C})$ . A similar argument shows  ${}_{\mu}\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\widehat{-\rho}} \cong \operatorname{Mod}(\mathbb{C})$ . This proves **ii**).

By 7.2,  $\mathcal{H}_{Z-fin} = {}_{Z-fin}\mathcal{H}_{Z-fin}$ . Since  ${}_{\mu}\mathcal{H}_{\lambda}$  is a finite length category for all  $\mu, \lambda \in \mathfrak{h}^*$  a devissage implies iii).

**Lemma 8.3.** Let  $\mu \in \Lambda$ . The functors  $\Theta_{\mu} := (\ ) \otimes_{\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{n} \cap \mathfrak{l})} \mathbb{C}_f : {}_{\mu}\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathfrak{l},\mathfrak{l})_{\widehat{\lambda}} \to {}_{\mu}\widetilde{\mathcal{N}}(\mathfrak{l})_f$  and  $\Theta_{\widehat{\mu}} := (\ ) \otimes_{\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{n} \cap \mathfrak{l})} \mathbb{C}_f : {}_{\widehat{\mu}}\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathfrak{l},\mathfrak{l})_{\widehat{\lambda}} \to {}_{\widehat{\mu}}\widetilde{\mathcal{N}}(\mathfrak{l})_f$  are equivalences of categories.

*Proof.* This certainly holds for  $\mathfrak{l}=\mathfrak{h}$  and from that we immediately reduce to the case  $\mathfrak{g}=\mathfrak{l}$ ,  $\Delta_f=\Delta$  and  $\lambda=-\rho$ . We must then show that the functor

$$\Theta_{\mu}: {}_{\mu}\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\widehat{-\rho}} \to {}_{\mu}\widetilde{\mathcal{N}}_f, \ M \mapsto M \otimes_{\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{n})} \mathbb{C}_f,$$

is an equivalence of categories. It follows from Kostant's equivalence 8.1 that  $_{\mu}\widetilde{\mathcal{N}}_{f}$  is equivalent to  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathbb{C})$  (for all  $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}^{*}$ ). By Lemma 8.2 ii) also  $_{\mu}\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\widehat{-\rho}} \cong \operatorname{Mod}(\mathbb{C})$ ; hence it suffices to show that  $\Theta_{\mu}$  takes simples to simples. The  $\Theta_{\mu}$ 's commutes with translation functors, so since  $U^{-\rho} \in {}_{-\rho}\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{-\rho}}$  we get

$$\Theta_{\mu} T^{\mu}_{-\rho}(\mathbf{U}^{-\rho}) = T^{\mu}_{-\rho} \Theta_{-\rho}(\mathbf{U}^{-\rho}) = T^{\mu}_{-\rho}(U^{-\rho} \otimes_{\mathbf{U}(\mathfrak{n})} \mathbb{C}_f).$$

By [K78] the latter is simple. This implies both that  $T^{\mu}_{-\rho}(\mathbf{U}^{-\rho})$  is simple generator for  $_{\mu}\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\widehat{-\rho}}$  and that  $\Theta_{\mu}$  takes simples to simples. Thus  $\Theta_{\mu}$  is an equivalence.

A devissage using Lemma 8.4 now shows that  $\Theta_{\widehat{\mu}}$  is an equivalence.

**Lemma 8.4.** Each  $M \in \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}_{\widehat{-\rho}}$  which is countably generated as a left U-module is faithfully flat as a right U( $\mathfrak{n}$ )-module.

*Proof.* Assume first that M is simple. Then it follows from Schur's lemma that  $M \in {}_{\mu}\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{-\rho}}$ , for some integral  $\mu \in \mathfrak{h}^*$ . By Lemma 8.2 we know that  ${}_{\mu}\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{-\rho}} \cong \operatorname{mod}(\mathbb{C})$ . Hence,  $M \cong T^{\mu}_{-\rho}(\mathbf{U}^{-\rho})$  as this is simple (and hence a simple generator for  ${}_{\mu}\mathcal{H}_{\widehat{-\rho}}$ ) by the proof of Lemma 8.3. By an adjunction argument M is projective as a right  $\mathbf{U}^{-\rho}$ -module. By Kostant's separation of variables theorem, [K63],  $\mathbf{U}^{-\rho}$  is free over  $\mathbf{U}(\mathfrak{n})$ . Hence M is projective over  $\mathbf{U}(\mathfrak{n})$ .

Assume now that  $M \in \mathcal{H}_{\widehat{-\rho}}$  is finitely generated. By Lemma 8.2 M has finite length and an induction on its length shows that M again is projective as a right  $U(\mathfrak{n})$ -module.

For arbitrary M choose a filtration  $M_0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq M_2 \subseteq \ldots \subseteq M$  of finitely generated submodules. Put  $\overline{M_i} = M_i/M_{i-1}$ . Since all  $M_i$  and  $\overline{M_i}$  are projective we get that  $M_i \cong \bigoplus_{j \leq i} M_j$  and thus

$$M = \lim_{i \to \infty} M_i \cong \lim_{j < i} \overline{M_j} = \bigoplus_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \overline{M_i}$$

is projective, and therefore flat, as a right  $U(\mathfrak{n})$ -module.

To see that M is faithful over  $U(\mathfrak{n})$ , we observe that the above implies that M, as a right  $U(\mathfrak{n})$ -module, is a direct sum of modules of the form  $T^{\mu}_{-\rho}(U^{-\rho})$ , so it suffices to show that  $T^{\mu}_{-\rho}(U^{-\rho})$  is faithful over  $U(\mathfrak{n})$ . Let  $V \in \operatorname{Mod}(U(\mathfrak{n}))$  be non-zero. We have

$$T^{\mu}_{-\rho}(U^{-\rho}) \otimes_{\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{n})} V \cong T^{\mu}_{-\rho}(U^{-\rho} \otimes_{\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{n})} V) \neq 0,$$

since  $U^{-\rho} \otimes_{\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{n})} V \neq 0$  and  $T^{\mu}_{-\rho}$  is faithful (since  $\mathcal{W}_{\mu} \subseteq \mathcal{W}_{-\rho}$ ).

**Lemma 8.5.** Let  $\mu \in \Lambda$  and  $M \in {}_{\widehat{\mu}}\mathcal{N}_f$ . Then  $M = \bigoplus_{\nu \in \Lambda} pr_{\mathbb{I},\widehat{\nu}}M$ .

Proof. Note that M has a filtration  $M_0 \subseteq M_1 \subseteq \ldots \subseteq M_n = M$  such that each subquotient  $\overline{M}_i := M_i/M_{i-1}$  is generated over U by a vector  $v_i$  such that  $J_f \cdot v_i = I_\mu \cdot v_i = 0$ . Thus each  $\overline{M}_i$  is a quotient of a sum of copies of  $U^\mu/U^\mu \cdot J_f$  and by [MS97] the latter has a filtration with subquotients of the form  $U^\mu/U^\mu(I_{\mathbf{I},w\cdot\mu}+J_f)$ ,  $w\in\mathcal{W}$ . These are in turn quotients of  $U^\mu/U^\mu \cdot I_{\mathbf{I},w\cdot\mu}$ . Thus, it is enough to prove that

$$U^{\mu} / U^{\mu} \cdot I_{\mathfrak{l},w \cdot \mu} = \bigoplus_{\nu \in \Lambda} pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\nu}} U^{\mu} / U^{\mu} \cdot I_{\mathfrak{l},w \cdot \mu}, \ w \in \mathcal{W}.$$

Since  $_{\widehat{\nu}}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l},\mathfrak{l})_{w\cdot\mu}=0$ , for  $\nu\notin w\cdot\mu+\Lambda=\Lambda$ , and since  $U^{\mu}/U^{\mu}\cdot I_{\mathfrak{l},w\cdot\mu}\in\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathfrak{l},\mathfrak{l})_{w\cdot\mu}=Z(\mathfrak{l})-fin}\widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathfrak{l},\mathfrak{l})_{w\cdot\mu}$  we are done.

*Proof of Theorem 8.1.* We have  $O_{\widehat{\lambda}} \cong {}_{\lambda'}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{\widehat{\lambda}}$ , so we need to construct an equivalence

(8.2) 
$$\Theta: {}_{\lambda'}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{\widehat{\lambda}} \xrightarrow{\sim} {}_{\lambda'}\mathcal{N}_f, \ M \mapsto M \otimes_{\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{n} \cap \mathfrak{l})} \mathbb{C}_f.$$

Consider the restriction functor  $res: {}_{\lambda'}\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l})_{\widehat{\lambda}} \to \widetilde{\mathcal{H}}(\mathfrak{l},\mathfrak{l})_{\widehat{\lambda}}$ . A "reductive version" of Lemma 8.4 applied to  $\mathfrak{l}$  shows that each object of  $\mathcal{H}(\mathfrak{l},\mathfrak{l})_{\widehat{\lambda}}$  is faithfully flat as a right  $U(\mathfrak{n} \cap \mathfrak{l})$ -module. Hence,  $\Theta$  is faithful and exact.

Denote by  $\Psi$  the right adjoint of  $\Theta$ . Thus

$$\Psi V = \operatorname{Hom}_{\mathbb{C}}(\varprojlim_{i} \operatorname{U}(\mathfrak{l})/(I_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda})^{i} \otimes_{\operatorname{U}(\mathfrak{n} \cap \mathfrak{l})} \mathbb{C}_{f}, V)^{\mathfrak{l}\text{-}\mathrm{int}},$$

where ()<sup> $\mathfrak{l}$ -int</sup> is the functor that assigns a maximal  $\mathfrak{l}$ -integrable sub-object. (The left U-module structure on  $\Psi V$  comes from the left U-action on V and its right U( $\mathfrak{l}$ )-module structure comes from the left U( $\mathfrak{l}$ )-action on  $\lim_i \mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l})/(I_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda})^i \otimes_{\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{n} \cap \mathfrak{l})} \mathbb{C}_f$ .)

In order to prove that  $\Theta$  is an equivalence its enough to show that the natural transformation  $\Theta \circ \Psi \to Id$  is an isomorphism. Take  $V \in {}_{\lambda'}\mathcal{N}_f$  and put

$$K := \text{Ker}\{\Theta\Psi V \to V\}, \ C := \text{Coker}\{\Theta\Psi V \to V\}.$$

By Lemma 8.5 we have  $K = \bigoplus_{\nu \in \Lambda} pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\nu}} K$  and  $C = \bigoplus_{\nu \in \Lambda} pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\nu}} C$ . Let  $\Psi_{\widehat{\nu}}$  be the right adjoint of the functor  $\Theta_{\widehat{\nu}}$  from Lemma 8.3. Note that  $pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\nu}} V \in {}_{\widehat{\nu}} \widetilde{\mathcal{N}}(\mathfrak{l})_f$  and that  $pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\nu}} K = \operatorname{Ker}\{\Theta_{\widehat{\nu}} \Psi_{\widehat{\nu}} pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\nu}} V \to pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\nu}} V\}$  and  $pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\nu}} C = \operatorname{Coker}\{\Theta_{\widehat{\nu}} \Psi_{\widehat{\nu}} pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\nu}} V \to pr_{\mathfrak{l},\widehat{\nu}} V\}$ .

Assume  $\nu \in \Lambda$ . Then  $\Theta_{\widehat{\nu}}$  is an equivalence of categories, by Lemma 8.3, and hence we have  $pr_{\mathbb{I},\widehat{\nu}}K = pr_{\mathbb{I},\widehat{\nu}}C = 0$ . Thus K = C = 0, by Lemma 8.5, and consequently  $\Theta$  is an equivalence.

8.2. Singular and parabolic case. Let  $Q \subseteq G$  be a parabolic,  $\mathfrak{q} := Lie\,Q$ ,  $\mathcal{Q} := G/Q$  and  $I^{\mathfrak{q}} := \operatorname{Ker}\{U \to \mathcal{D}(G/Q)\}$ . It is known that  $I^{\mathfrak{q}} = \operatorname{Ann}_{\mathbf{U}}(\mathbf{U} \otimes_{\mathbf{U}(\mathfrak{q})}\mathbb{C})$ ,  $\mathbf{U}/I^{\mathfrak{q}} \stackrel{\sim}{\longrightarrow} \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{Q})$ , and there is a parabolic version of (regular) Beilinson-Bernstein localization  $\operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}_G, Q, \mathfrak{q}) \cong \operatorname{Mod}(\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{Q}))$ , [BorBr82]. Let  $\mathrm{O}^{\mathfrak{q}} := \{M \in \mathrm{O}; \mathfrak{q} \text{ acts locally finitely on } M\}$  be  $\mathfrak{q}$ -parabolic category  $\mathcal{O}$ ,  $\mathrm{O}^{\mathfrak{q}}_{\lambda} := \mathrm{O}^{\mathfrak{q}} \cap \mathrm{O}_{\lambda}$  and  $\mathrm{O}^{\mathfrak{q}}_{\widehat{\lambda}} := \mathrm{O}^{\mathfrak{q}} \cap \mathrm{O}_{\widehat{\lambda}}$ .

All results from Section 7 extend to these categories. We assume here for simplicity that  $\lambda$  is integral and so we can take  $\lambda' := 0$ . Then

$$\mathrm{O}_{\lambda}^{\mathfrak{q}} = \mathrm{mod}(\mathfrak{q}, Q, \mathrm{U}^{\lambda}), \ \mathrm{O}_{\widehat{\lambda}}^{\mathfrak{q}} = \mathrm{mod}^{\widehat{\lambda}}(\mathfrak{q}, Q, \mathrm{U}).$$

Like before we get (with self-explaining notations)  $\mathcal{O}^{\mathfrak{q}}_{\widehat{\lambda}}\cong$ 

$$\operatorname{mod}(\mathfrak{q},Q,\mathcal{D}_G,P,\mathfrak{r}_P,\widehat{\lambda}) \cong \operatorname{mod}(\widehat{\lambda},\mathfrak{r}_{\mathfrak{p}},P,\mathcal{D}_G,Q,\mathfrak{q}) \cong \operatorname{mod}(\widehat{\lambda},\mathfrak{r}_{\mathfrak{p}},P,\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{Q})) \cong \mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{Q}),\mathfrak{l}_P)_{\widehat{\lambda}}.$$

Here  $\mathcal{H}(\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{Q}), \mathfrak{l}_P)_{\widehat{\lambda}}$  is the category of  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{Q})$ -  $\mathrm{U}(\mathfrak{l}_P)$ -bimodules on which the adjoint  $\mathfrak{l}_P$ -action is integrable and  $I_{\mathfrak{l},\lambda}$  acts locally nilpotently from the right. Let  $\mathcal{N}_f^{\mathfrak{q}} := \{M \in \mathcal{N}_f; I^{\mathfrak{q}}M = 0\}$ . Thus the equivalence of Theorem 8.1 induces an equivalence

Corollary 8.6. ([W09].)  $O_{\widehat{\lambda}}^{\mathfrak{q}} \cong \mathcal{N}_f^{\mathfrak{q}}$ .

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